TODAY'S WEATHER
Fair With Variable Winds Is the Local Forecast.

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THE WEATHER

Fair today and tomorrow and warmer tomorrow. It is the Washington forecast for Pittsburgh and vicinity. The maximum temperature yesterday was 10 and the minimum 9, making it the coldest day for the date in this section since 1808. The sun rose clear at 7:18 and set clear at 4:38 yesterday. The daily report, furnished by the local weather office, follows:

Fair.

Time	Bar.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m.	30.51	9	78	N. W.	Clear
8 p. m.	30.45	18	63	N. W.	Pt. Cldy.

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 14:

	1902	1901		1902	1901
Maximum	25	67	Mean	20	49
Minimum	16	31	Precipitation	T	1.69

Max. tem., 8 p. m., 18; Min. tem., 7 a. m., 9; Mean temperature, 14; Mean daily, 31 yrs., 36; Defcy. for day, 22; Defcy. for day, 23; Defcy. since Dec. 1, 1, 10; Defcy. since Dec. 1, 86; Defcy. since Jan. 1, 2,389.

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Forecast:

Western Pennsylvania—Fair Tuesday and Wednesday; warmer Wednesday; variable winds.

Ohio—Fair Tuesday, fresh west to southwest winds; Wednesday, fair, warmer.

West Virginia—Fair Tuesday, Wednesday, fair, warmer.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 o'clock last night:

Cincinnati	22	Clear	Indianapolis	14	Clear
Chicago	4	Clear	Washington	36	Clear
Omaha	18	Clear	Kansas City	20	Clear
Cairo	24	Cloudy	New Orleans	52	Cloudy
St. Louis	18	Clear	Philadelphia	28	Clear
El Paso	50	Clear	Omaha	18	Clear
Louisville	24	Clear	Denver	34	Clear
Memphis	36	Cloudy	Salt L. City	36	Clear
New York	22	Clear	St. Paul	2	Clear
Buffalo	12	Cloudy	Bismarck	*2	Clear
Cleveland	14	Clear	Huron	*2	Clear

*Below zero.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

NIXON—Mrs. Leslie Carter in "Du Barry," 8:15 p. m.

ALVIN—"A Chinese Honeymoon," 8:15 p. m.

NEW GRAND—New stock company in "Mrs. Jack," 2 and 8 p. m.

AVENUE—15 big vaudeville acts in continuous performance, 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.

DUQUESNE—All star vaudeville bill, 2 and 8 p. m.

BIJOU—"The Fatal Wedding," 8 p. m.

EMPIRE—"A Hot Old Time," 8:15 p. m.

ACADEMY—Harry Morris' "Night on Broadway," 2 and 8 p. m.

DUQUESNE GARDEN—Skating afternoon and evening. Hockey tonight, Bankers vs. Keystones.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTE ART GALLERIES—Eighth annual exhibition of paintings, 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

PITTSBURG CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL—Mozart club will sing Perlee "Te Deum," 8:15 p. m.

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived December 14.

NEW YORK—Umbria, from Liverpool.

NAPLES—Princess Irene, from New York.

MOVILLE—Assyria, from New York.

GIBRALTAR—Saldana, from Genoa (for New York).

Sailed December 14.

GLASGOW—Ontadina for St. Johns.

CHERBOURG—Bluecher, for New York.

LIZARD—Merana (passed), from New York for London.

GREAT BLAZE HIGH IN AIR

Fire in Arrott Power Building Threatened Other Large Structures.

TOP FLOOR BURNED

By Desperate Work in Bitter Cold Firemen Finally Suppress the Flames.

MANY WOMEN PANIC-STRICKEN

Fire on the top floor of the seven-story Arrott Power building, in Barker place, between Penn avenue and Duquesne way, gave Pittsburgh firemen three long and cold hours of stubborn battle early last evening. Danger of the most serious kind was threatened all the time, due to the proximity of the flames to the Alvin and Bijou theaters, the Colonial hotel, the Bijou office building, the Groetzinger Carpet Company's store and the store of the Michigan Furniture Company. Only by dint of hard work were the flames prevented from spreading to these and other structures and a far greater calamity averted. The loss is estimated at $50,000. This is considered conservative.

No lives were lost in the flames, although several hundred men and women employes in the Power building and others nearby fled terror-stricken. Two firemen, Capt. William Bennett and Hoseman Joseph Hurley of No. 2 engine company, were burned. Their hurts are not dangerous.

The fire was picturesque in the extreme and attracted a crowd which grew to such proportions that only with great difficulty did the police keep the streets clear for the operations of the firemen and their apparatus.

Much Damage Done by Water.

The top floor of the damaged building was occupied as storage rooms by the Michigan Furniture Company. The stock of this company was completely ruined, while thousands of dollars of loss was inflicted on the other tenants of the buildings through the great streams of water needed to quench the flames, and the building was badly damaged itself.

The Arrott Power building, seven stories in height, really comprises three buildings, which are all connected, known as Arrott power buildings, Nos. 1, 2 and 3. Twelve business firms were scattered through the various floors and upon these the loss will fall heaviest, especially at this season with an abundance of Christmas work on hand. Most of these are manufacturing concerns whose power was furnished by the Arrott company, the power plant being located in the basement of the building. The various business concerns in the building were as follows:

Building No. 1.—Second floor, Pittsburgh Transforming Company; third floor, Standard Electrotype Company; fourth floor and part of the cellar, Keystone Sanitary Supply Company; fifth floor, Reliance Engraving Company; sixth floor, Walter E. Hagie & Son, electro-platers; seventh floor, Michigan Furniture Company, storage warehouse.

Buildings Nos. 2 and 3 contained the following: Hawethorne Printing and Engraving Company, occupying basement to the seventh floor, using portions of various floors; the Pittsburgh Electric and Machine Works used a portion of the first and second floors; McCord-Hoffman Company, printers, were on the third floor; the Pittsburgh Blue Print Company, on the fourth floor; Chubby Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of chewing gum, on the fifth floor; Benton-Wright Electric Company, on the sixth floor, and the Michigan Furniture Company, storage, on the seventh floor.

Supposed Origin of the Fire.

As yet the origin of the fire is unknown, although it was ascribed by many to spontaneous combustion starting in packing in the storage rooms of the furniture company. These rooms, occupying the entire top or seventh floor, were always kept tightly closed. There were no light fixtures of any kind, safety lamps being used when employes entered the warerooms.

Charles Jones, one of the packers, was the first to discover the fire. He was on the seventh floor of the main warerooms about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and saw flames burst suddenly from the rear windows of the power building, directly across the alley. He hurried down and notified a policeman, who turned in an alarm from box 27, which is in Penn avenue adjoining the Michigan Furniture Company's building. The first district firemen responded in short order, and an alarm was immediately set in for the next two districts, the great danger of a disastrous fire being at once apparent.

Owing to the narrowness of the alleys the firemen had great difficulty in getting their fire apparatus in shape to do effective work. They used the numerous fire escapes to good advantage, however, and in this way were able to reach the roofs of adjoining buildings without the aid of scaling ladders. Four streams were quickly turned on from the roof of the Alvin theater, which was a good vantage point, giving a broadside of the fire district to the firemen.

Firemen Fought in Awful Smoke.

For over one hour the flames were confined to the interior of the top floor, but great, ominous clouds of smoke belched forth and at times so completely enveloped the firemen on the little steel platforms that the people below held their breath in suspense, fearing every instant that some of the brave fellows would succumb to the deadly fumes and fall to the street below. Then the wind would veer around and carry the smoke in another direction.

It was a stubborn fire from the start, and for over an hour the firemen did not appear to be making the slightest headway. An attempt was made to reach the top floor by a ladder in Barker place, and firemen were sent up with a line of hose. They hung on for perhaps 15 minutes, but could make no advances against the tremendous outburst of smoke which filled the aperture between the buildings. They finally abandoned the ladder and sought better vantage spots on the roofs of the Alvin and Bijou theater buildings.

This momentary lull in the operations of the firemen gave the flames a fresh start, and soon they burst forth from every window and on all sides. It was at

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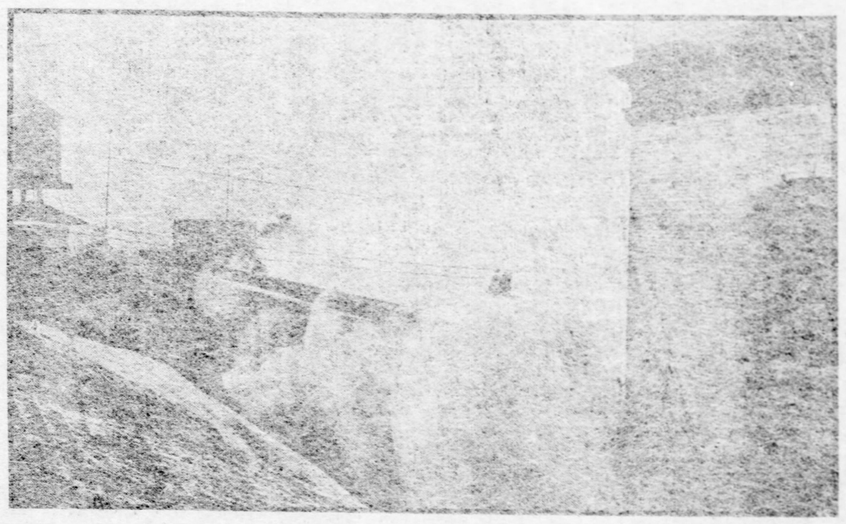
SCENES AT THE EXCITING FIRE YESTERDAY



Roof shown on the left is that of Bijou theater. In right hand corner is the Michigan Furniture Co.'s building. Roof of the burning Arrott building is shown in the center.

Fire Fighters Hard at Work in Narrow Space About the Burning Building.

COAL OPERATORS MAY READJUST PRICES

Mine Owners from Three States Are Holding Meeting in Cleveland.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 14.—Some 50 soft coal operators representing Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania are meeting here to discuss various questions of interest to the operators. They deny that they have any intention to cut wages, saying that they could not possibly do this before April anyway and that such a subject will not be under discussion while here.

The fact remains, however, that there has been and is much discussion along this line and the meetings are being held in secret. One of the principal steps that is likely to be decided upon at this meeting is a more uniform system of prices.

While the operators admit there may be a slight advance in prices they say it will not be great and the chief aim is to make it uniform. The question of transportation is also bothering the operators and an attempt will be made to secure better rates and quicker service from the railroads. The conference will probably end tomorrow.

CONSPIRACY EXISTED AGAINST MURDERED GIRL

Elizabeth Gillespie's Brother Is Said to Have Threatened Her Life.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 14.—Testimony of a sensational nature was given in the grand jury investigation at Rising Sun today, when that body resumed its inquiry into the murder of Miss Elizabeth Gillespie, the young lady who was assassinated while sitting in the parlor of her home.

The witnesses testified that she had told them of attacks made upon her by her brother, in one of which he beat her with a mop handle and in the other he choked her. Two farmers testified that the day before the murder they heard two men, one of whom was James Gillespie, making threats against the young lady's life.

It is certain that three and perhaps four persons were engaged in the murder. One of the conspirators was a woman, and the evidence is so strong against her that the police have her under surveillance.

APPEAL TO HANNA TO SETTLE STRIKE

DENVER, COL., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The Denver board of trade this afternoon decided to ask for the intervention of the National Civic Federation in the local strike situation and the secretary was ordered to wire Senator Hanna to use his influence to secure an early presentation of the cases that await action. It was stated at the meeting that both sides were ready to submit to the decision of such a body, providing Senator Hanna presided.

PITTSBURGH PLANTS TO SUPPLY KOREA

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The United States Steel Corporation today secured a contract for about 5,000 tons of bridge material for the Fusan-Chemulpo railroad of Korea. The material will be manufactured mostly at the American Bridge Company's Pittsburgh plants. The total rail contracts now in hand for shipment to China, Korea and Japan within the next four months amount to nearly 50,000 tons.

MISSIONARY WORKER DIES WHILE VISITING THE FIELD

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—From Olney, Indian Territory, word was received today of the sudden death of the Rev. Dr. Thomas Marshall, field secretary of the Presbyterian board of foreign missions. Dr. Marshall was appointed to the office in 1890, with headquarters in Chicago. He was one of the best-known of missionary representatives, and was widely known throughout the west and the whole Presbyterian church.

CONFESSES FORGERIES CHARGED AGAINST WIFE

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—James B. Stugerly, alias James Parker, whose home is in Pittsburgh, today took the stand and swore that he committed the forgeries for which his young wife, Mabel, is on trial. With his ready pen he gave imitations of his handiwork, which counsel for the defense passed along to the jurors.

WILL CHARGE MONEY LENDERS WITH USURY AND CONSPIRACY

Final Effort Being Made to Save Consolidated Lake Superior Company from a Forced Sale Today.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—In a last effort to save the securities of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company from passing out of its possession, by which the $30,000,000 invested in this corporation would be sacrificed at the forced sale in New York tomorrow to satisfy the loan of $5,500,000 made by Speyer & Co., two important moves were made today.

The first was the granting of an order for the voluntary liquidation of the company's affairs by Justice McMahon in the dominion courts at Toronto, Ont. The second was the drawing up of a bill in equity, which was signed this evening by John G. Carruth, the receiver of the holding company, and which will be filed in the supreme court of New York state tomorrow praying that the sale be set aside.

Behind this latter suit, it was said by one of the reorganization counsels tonight, are charges of usury and conspiracy. Both are directed against the Speyer syndicate. The usury charge will be founded on the fact that at the time the loan was made the interest allowed was 6 per cent, together with a commission of 8 per cent to each subscriber, making a total of 14 per cent. The understanding being, however, that the loan would be taken up at the end of the six months for which it was made.

The charge of conspiracy will be made in milder phraseology; for it will be only intimated. The charge, in substance, is that the money lenders are anxious to obtain the company's securities so that they can dispose of them to other interests; supposedly the steel syndicate and two large Wall street operators.

At the sale tomorrow, notices will be given the probable purchasers of the suit interested. That any person, other than the Speyers, would care to bid for the securities, under such circumstances, the attorney believed doubtful from the fact that a cloud would be thrown on the title. With this fact known, he contended, the Speyers would be forced to buy in the securities, and the reorganization interests would be in the same position as before the sale, namely, that the money-lenders would still hold the assets of the company. And it is for the purpose of preventing them from getting into the hands of outsiders that this move was made.

John G. Carruth, the receiver, when seen this evening, said that all but about $500,000 of the necessary $8,000,000 needed under the Moffly plan, had been pledged. He had no doubt, he said, of the success of the plan, could a further extension of three weeks of the time of the Speyer sale be secured.

CHESTER D. POTTER.

SUCCESSOR NAMED FOR PENITENTIARY WARDEN

Well Known Ohio Man Elected to Take Charge of the Eastern State Prison.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—Joseph T. Byers of Columbus, O., has been elected warden of the Eastern penitentiary. He was chosen unanimously by the five prison inspectors at a specially called meeting held in the prison this evening.

Mr. Byers will take charge on the first of the year. What his salary will be the inspectors will decide. Daniel W. Bussinger got $4,000 a year.

Mr. Byers is about 40 years old. For several years he has been warden of the Ohio state prison in Columbus, and has also been secretary of the Ohio State Board of Charities. The inspectors describe him as a man of unusually high intelligence and splendid character. It is understood that there were about a dozen candidates who were seriously considered for the wardenship, but Mr. Byers ranked above any of them.

CHESTER D. POTTER.

CASHIER KILLS HIMSELF AND THE BANK CLOSES

SIOUX CITY, IA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Harry W. Mayne, cashier of the Farmers and Merchants bank at Linn Grove, shot himself through the heart today while in bed at his home. It is believed that Mayne had been speculating on the Chicago board of trade.

Officials of the bank, which is a private institution, claim that the deposits, amounting to $100,000, were controlled by the First National bank of Storm Lake. The doors of the bank were not opened today. Mayne left a widow and five children.

SUPREME COURT HEARS APPEAL

Northern Securities Case Is Argued by Lawyers at Washington.

KNOX MAKES PLEA

Attorney General's Speech for Government Is Interrupted by Adjournment.

INTEREST IS WIDESPREAD

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau, Room 10, Postal Building, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.

Arguments in the appeal of the Northern Securities case were begun before the United States supreme court today. The court room was crowded with senators, representatives and lawyers from all over the country, and among the spectators were Mrs. Roosevelt and Mrs. Knox, wife of the attorney general. The interest in this case is widespread throughout the country, since the final decision of it will have a tremendous effect, not only in the financial and industrial world, but also as affecting politics.

It will be remembered that the case comes to the supreme court on an appeal taken from the United States circuit court of appeals, the case having been heard in St. Louis in last April. This court found for the government on every point advanced by the attorney general, who had instituted the case to defeat the combination of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroads under the ownership and control of the Northern Securities Company, a New Jersey corporation organized by J. Pierpont Morgan, James J. Hill and their associates.

Court Room Filled.

When the justices of the supreme court filed into the chamber at noon today there was not a vacant seat, nor was there a vacant seat on the bench, with one exception, Justice Brown being absent. John G. Johnson, of Philadelphia, made the first argument on behalf of the Northern Securities Company, occupying two hours and 10 minutes. He was followed by C. W. Bunn, of St. Paul, who spoke for 40 minutes, then the attorney general began the argument for the government, and after occupying about 40 minutes, court adjourned.

Mr. Knox will continue his address tomorrow. Today he was in fine voice, and his opening remarks were listened to with great attention by the court and spectators. The confidence that the department of justice feels in the ultimate decision of the case was manifested by the demeanor of the attorney general. His speech this afternoon was confined principally to a statement of the facts, and the history of the legislation enacted by congress that made possible the building of the Northern Pacific railroad.

In beginning, Mr. Knox outlined the attitude of the government toward the case, saying that it was "one of grave concern, based upon its conviction that a mischievous evasion of the law has been attempted, as well as upon its especial interest in and relations to one of the properties affected."

Knox Reviewed Facts.

In order that the court might understand the reasons for this concern, he reviewed the principal facts connected with the organization which subsequent history of the Northern Pacific company, its relations to the Great Northern railroad and other facts out of which the questions in this case arise, but without extended comment. His statement of facts in this connection was as follows:

First, that the Northern Pacific railroad was built under the authority of the United States and in the main with capital furnished by the United States, and that the United States intended to and attached the condition to its contribution that the railroad should be an independent national highway, and specified that the object of its construction was "to promote the public interests."

Second, that by different devices employed during the past 10 years, the defendants, or some of them, have endeavored to destroy the independence of the Northern Pacific company, and bring it under the domination of the Great Northern Company.

Third, that the Northern Securities Company is an instrumentality devised by defendants to acquire, hold and exercise control over those two parallel and competing lines of railroad; to destroy competition between them, to create a monopoly of transportation in the section served by them, and to defeat the condition attached by the United States to the franchise and land grants of the Northern Pacific company.

L. W. STRAYER.

GERMANS AND BLACKS CLASH IN AFRICA

CAPETOWN, Dec. 14.—According to an official dispatch from the Hartebeast river district, a Hottentot "laager" was attacked and captured by a German patrol Saturday last. The Hottentots drove the Germans across the river, firing heavily and severely wounding Lieutenant Belkin, and one private. The Hottentots subsequently retreated, losing three killed and two wounded. During the engagement Cape police came under the fire of the Hottentots, who say that they shot at the police officers by mistake.

Union Men Are Now Barred.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The Inland Steel Company at Indiana Harbor today announced that, owing to inability to work in peace with union men, the company would have no further dealings with the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel & Tin Workers. No union men, it is announced, will be employed hereafter. Part of the plant is now operating with non-union men.

NEW CHAPLAIN FOR UNITED STATES SENATE

DR. EDWARD EVERETT HALE.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale has waived his willingness to accept the appointment as chaplain of the United States Senate tendered him today. He has made strong merits to spend the winter in Washington with his family. He is a Congregationalist and is 83 years old.

FOX RIPS OUT THREE DIRECTORS

He Then Secures a Re-election to the Central Board of Education.

LEGAL FIGHT TO FOLLOW

John T. Fox has been re-elected a member of the central board of education by the Eleventh ward school board declaring vacant the seats of three directors and appointing their successors.

Fox is now president of the central board and could not have been a candidate to succeed himself at the annual election in February had he failed to secure a re-election by his home board.

The Eleventh ward board held two meetings before the one of last night, and failed to elect a member of the central body. Last night six ballots were taken. Each time Fox received three votes and George Sterling three. Fox voted for himself and was supported by B. F. E. Ward and E. H. Gimlitt. Sterling received the votes of President A. M. Stevenson, Treasurer James T. Wallace and John Whitney. At the end of the sixth ballot the supporters of Sterling went home.

When the three members left the remaining members of the board decided to declare the seats of Stevenson, Whitney and Wallace vacant. This action was taken under the forty-fourth section of the Pennsylvania school laws.

The members of the board then sent for Owen Jones of 40 Miller street and elected him to a seat on the board. William Lytle of 1720 Cliff street was sent for, but he declined to accept a seat on account of business reasons. Thomas D. Malone, forger assistant superintendent of police, and Joseph S. White were sent for and were elected to seats. R. N. S. Ward was made president.

The work of electing a representative to the central board was then taken up. Fox and Sterling were nominated. Fox was elected by receiving five votes; Sterling received one, Malone voting for him.

Fox said that the action taken in declaring the seats of the three members vacant was necessary, as a letter had been received from Secretary Charles Reisfar of the central board stating that he wished the board to fix the district school tax before December 31.

The tax was fixed at 3 mills, which will raise $16,245.

President Stevenson says that the members who have been ousted will fight for their rights and contest the election of Fox as a member of the central board.

New Parish Named After Pope.

The new Roman Catholic congregation formed recently from St. Peter's at McKeesport has honored Pope Pius X. by taking his name for the parish. The announcement was made during Sunday's services by the pastor, the Rev. Father F. J. Corle, who was appointed by Bishop Phelan.

THREE BALLOTS FOR PRESIDENT

Republicans and Orphans of Common Council Elect J. C. Wasson.

RIVALS MAKE BIDS

Telephone Companies Support New Concerns Asking for Electric Light Franchises.

LARKIN'S SCHEME IS KILLED

SUMMARY OF COMMON BRANCH PROCEEDINGS

Republicans and Orphans elected Joseph C. Wasson president pro tem. on third ballot, defeating Daniel J. Bole, the Citizens candidate.

Local telephone companies are rivals in bidding for electric light franchise. Ordinance introduced by the Duquesne Light Company and the Pennsylvania Light, Heat & Power Company.

The new trolley syndicate asks city to build a bridge for Webster avenue line, the company to repay the city.

Republicans and Citizens united to kill John B. Larkin's pet purchasing agent scheme.

Another batch of Director E. M. Bigelow's transfer ordinances failed to pass.

Council refused to authorize the sale of city property except at public auction.

The resolution authorizing the employment of three experts to prepare estimates of cost and size of a filtration plant passed finally.

The Republicans and Orphans of common council again effected a combination last night and elected Joseph C. Wasson of the Twentieth ward president pro tem., defeating Daniel J. Bole, the Citizens candidate, after a very pretty contest, which required three ballots to decide. Each of the three factions presented a candidate—the Republicans nominating Wasson, the Citizens Bole, and the Orphans William C. Reitz. The first vote showed neither candidate to have a majority, Mr. Bole lacking two votes of a majority. Bole received 28 votes, Wasson 16 and Reitz 9.

As Wasson got one more vote than Reitz, W. H. Stevenson, for the Orphans, withdrew the name of Reitz, and the second ballot was taken on the names of Wasson and Bole. The Orphans supported Wasson and the second ballot showed a tie, Bole and Wasson each receiving 28 votes. The two additional votes on the second ballot were cast by Harry A. Lamb (Citizen) and W. B. Wolfe (Orphan). C. Wesley Cross of the Thirty-eighth ward appeared while the third ballot was being taken and his vote elected Wasson, Wasson receiving 29 votes and Bole 28. The Orphans and Republicans applauded vigorously their victory over the Citizens. Several Bigelow lieutenants were present to work for Bole.

Three Votes Required.

On the first ballot Reitz voted for Wasson, and Wasson voted for Reitz. Bole did not vote. The following was the result of the first ballot:

For Bole—Messrs. Barker, Beckert, D. F. Crawford, Delaney, Edwards, Fitzpatrick, Howe, Hughes, Jack, Lawler, David Lewis, Martin, McNally, M. B. O'Brien, Schenck, Walls, Wilier, Zenger—28.

For Wasson—Messrs. Armstrong, Beltz, Brand, Cavett, Leslie, John Lewis, Moore, Reitz, Rodgers, West—16.

For Reitz—Messrs. Neldorf, Brunner, Thomas O'Brien, Schad, Shaw, Shearer, Suffel, Stevenson, Watson—9.

The second and third ballots were the same, with the exception of the addition of the name of Cross on the third ballot. The third and decisive ballot was as follows:

For Wasson—Messrs. Armstrong, Beltz, Barr, Beckert, Brand, Cavett, Cross, Lawler, John Lewis, Moore, Thomas O'Brien, Reitz, Rodgers, Schad, Shaw, Shearer, Suffel, Stevenson, West, Wolfe—28.

For Bole—Messrs. Barker, Beckert, Daniel F. Crawford, Delaney, Edwards, Fitzpatrick,

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POPE PIUS HAS OFFERED SERVICES TO COLOMBIA

His Holiness Addressed a Letter to President Roosevelt—United States Marines Sent to Intercept Invading Army in Panama.

[Special Cable to The Gazette.]

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PANAMA, Dec. 14.—Under date of yesterday your correspondent at Bogota sends the following dispatch:

The Colombian government has addressed an important circular to all the governors of the various departments regarding proposed radical constitution reforms. The government asks the opinion of the municipalities as to the most effective way of decentralizing the federal system of the present administration, strengthening thereby the national integrity.

Pope Pius, according to the advices from the Colombian minister at the vatican, has addressed a note to President Roosevelt, offering his good offices in behalf of Colombia to arrive at a just and equitable solution of the present troubles.

COLON, Dec. 14.—(Special Cable.)—A force of marines under Captain Butler, from the United States artillery cruiser Prairie, was sent to Panama from here today. They embarked there on a tug and were taken to Taboga, 10 miles below Panama.

The first offensive move against Colombia involves the American forces exclusively, and it is believed by the beginning of what may prove a long drawn-out guerilla campaign. The force seen today is under orders to guard the trans-Isthmian road from Darien, over which the Colombian army is supposed to be advancing.

The United States force is expected to check the Colombian advance. This it is believed, will result in a sharp conflict between the two forces, the outcome of which may depend upon the strength of the Colombian troops numerically. It was announced here today, however, that more marines are to be sent to other points inland, to keep the Colombian invasion in check.

The expedition that started today is under command of Capt. Smedley D. Butler. Tavisa is some distance inland on the Tuira river, which empties in the San Miguel gulf.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Treasury department officials say that there is no need to worry about the payment for the Panama canal, as they will be made in installments so as not to interfere with the money market.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The correspondent of the Morning Leader at The Hague says it is reported there that both Holland and Great Britain have notified the republic of Panama that any new liability for $25,000,000 or the guaranty, only

SELECT COUNCIL FAILS TO MEET

Only Ten Members of Upper Branch Respond to Roll Call.

WIGHTMAN IS SERIOUSLY ILL

For the second time within a week select council yesterday failed to obtain a quorum and action was again delayed on the railroad ordinances and a number of other important measures. To all appearances the lack of a quorum was due to orders from the political managers, as but 10 members answered roll call out of a membership of 34.

John J. Shenkel was a caller in Mayor William B. Hays' office at the time set for select council to meet, but was not present at the meeting. Murry A. Verner and Director L. M. Bigelow held a long conference with the mayor.

President James Smiley Wightman's illness prevented his being present. President Wightman's left lung was congested Sunday. Yesterday the condition of the lung was improved, but the right lung became affected. The physician attended Mr. Wightman to remain in his bed, and he probably will be confined to the house for a week or two at least.

The surveys committee of select council was called to meet yesterday prior to the meeting of select council, but only two members of the committee were present—Chairman T. O. Atkinson and Charles Stewart. The committee had been called to take up the Baltimore & Ohio railroad ordinances for street vacations in the Twenty-third ward.

The Pennsylvania railroad officials did not comply with the request of John A. Murphy to appear at the meeting and bring with them the detailed plans of the proposed Duquesne way line. Robert Finney, general agent of the Baltimore & Ohio, was the only railroad official present.

The 10 members who responded to the roll call were Charles Stewart, William J. Zahniser, Thomas E. Perry, Frederick Richtel, W. E. Lang, Charles H. West, James J. Booth, T. O. Atkinson, R. H. Douglas and John A. Murphy.

COLD WAVE CAUSES FIVE DEATHS IN CHICAGO

One of the Coldest Days in Northwest for Thirty-Three Years.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Continued cold and little relief from the effects of the deadly storm that has killed five persons and maimed a dozen others is the prospect of stormbound Chicago for tomorrow.

THE DEAD.

WILLIAM DUFF, watchman, frozen to death at Lake Bluff.

MRS. KETURAH THADER, 58 years of age, caught in storm, returned home frozen and died dead.

E. C. GILMORE, conductor; killed in Chicago & Northwestern freight yards, caused by slippery rails.

CHRISTIAN WEIT, burned to death in his home; fire caused by attempt to heat the house.

NATHAN WEST, found in alley; police think he was frozen to death.

With the exception of but once, December 9, 1876, when a minimum temperature of 14 below was experienced, yesterday was the coldest day for this season of the year in 33 years. It was 32 degrees below at Huron, S. D., 30 below at Moorhead and 16 below at St. Paul.

The cold is general throughout the upper Mississippi valley, Wisconsin, Michigan and extends as far west as Nebraska.

DAYTON WANTS WARSHIPS.

West Virginia Congressman Urges Appropriations for the Navy.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Representative Dayton of West Virginia said today:

"I think we should authorize five battleships this year, the same as last, without hesitation, because such authorization will be in line of continual increase of the navy until we have it up to the limit of proper strength.

"We have 14 first-class battleships in commission, eight already building and five authorized, but not yet laid down, making 25 already appropriated for. The active naval development of other powers requires that we should complete our fleet rapidly and according to a fixed program. The cost of construction is less and the work better if the policy of naval construction is systematic instead of spasmodic."

DID NOT CARRY OUT THREAT

Thieves at Stock Yards Were Scared Off After Drawing Revolver on Yardmaster.

Night Yardmaster William Miley of the Pittsburgh Provision Company's stock yards on Herrs Island, about 5 o'clock last night, came upon three men trying to force an entrance to the shipping office. They sprang at Miley and one stuck a revolver under his nose, saying: "Make a sound and I'll shoot your head off."

The yardmaster was unarmed, but he yelled loudly and attracted the attention of Watchman William Madison. The would-be burglars released Miley and ran over the Thirtieth street bridge to Pittsburgh.

Girl Got Bail on Theft Charge.

Nettie Steele, who was charged with stealing a diamond from the jewelry firm of Samuel K. Sloe on December 2, which she is said to have swallowed and which was afterward recovered at the Central police station, was arraigned for a hearing last night before Alderman James R. Connor. The girl waived a hearing and gave bail for court. Her father and a friend went on her bond. She went to her home at Sharpsburg after the hearing.

Farewell and Greeting to Pastors.

The congregation of St. Luke's Roman Catholic church at Carnegie will tender a farewell supper to their former pastor, the Rev. P. J. Quigley, on Thursday night, which also will take the form of a reception to Father Brennan, who will take charge of the parish. At the close of the reception Father Quigley will be escorted to his new parish in Allegheny by a committee of the church, who have engaged the private car of President J. D. Callery to carry their old pastor to his new home.

Taylor Tells Strange Story.

HONOLULU, Dec. 14.—Former Agricultural Commissioner A. Wright Taylor, who was indicted last March for the alleged embezzlement of $800 of government money, has been heard from. Taylor visited Bishop Restarick of Hawaii in New York and told him that his mind was a blank from the time he left San Francisco until he found himself in England.

Eina Official Was Vindicated.

Charley Hast, superintendent of the Eina borough water and light plant, was vindicated at the meeting of Eina council last night, when the committee assigned to investigate the charge of incompetency and dishonesty reported that they had found the charges untrue. Since April the health board has spent $6,200, principally in suppressing the smallpox epidemic. The "curfew" ordinance was not presented.

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Closing of Record-Breaking Deal In Local Real Estate

The final papers were issued yesterday in the exchange of properties between Frank McCann and Herbert Du Puy, which was negotiated by J. C. Ewing and A. O. Deichon of the Union Realty Company. The deal has been a record breaker in two ways. It was the largest exchange deal ever consummated in Allegheny county, the total amount involved being $2,150,000, and it was put through in the shortest time recorded for a deal approaching it in amount and importance. On November 30 the articles of agreement were signed, making just two weeks until the final closing of the transaction.

It was reported when the deal was first announced that one valuable downtown property was not mentioned by request of the principals. This proves to have been the Hotel Boyer, at Seventh street and Duquesne way, which Mr. McCann turned over to Mr. Du Puy for $250,000. This is a four-story brick structure on a lot facing 110 feet in Duquesne way and 139 feet in Seventh street. It was formerly owned by John Scott and came into Mr. McCann's hands last spring for $175,000, so that he nets $75,000 on the last sale.

The other properties conveyed to Mr. Du Puy were the Hamilton building, in Fifth avenue, for which Mr. McCann paid $450,000 last spring; the Hyalls apartments at Penn avenue and Beatty street, East End, which cost him $100,000 in an exchange deal; Nos. 114-122 Fourth avenue, opposite the Grand hotel, and four six-story brick warehouses at Nos. 107-115 Third avenue. The properties which he conveyed to Mr. Du Puy were put into the deal at $1,825,000. In exchange for these he received in part payment 157 houses and 1,100 feet of vacant frontage in Hollywood place, Sixth ward, Allegheny, which was valued at $615,000. Mr. McCann gets this property clear and Mr. Du Puy assumes the mortgages on McCann's former downtown holdings.

RUSSIA REPLIES TO DEMANDS OF JAPAN

Peaceful Tone of Situation Is Indicated by Rise in Securities at London.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

LONDON Dec. 14.—Russia has replied to Japan's demands, the terms being transmitted to the Japanese minister here. Negotiations are still in progress. Immediate acceptance of the reply by Japan is not expected.

"The Russian reply," Baron Hayashi said, to a representative of the Associated Press, "is in the form of an agreement which, if satisfactory to Japan, can immediately be signed. In that event all questions now pending would receive final settlement. I have received no indication from my government regarding probable action in the matter. I firmly believe the Russo-Japanese difficulty will be pacifically settled."

Japanese bonds and British consols advanced on today's peaceful news.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 14.—Neither Admiral Alexieff, the Russian viceroy in the far east, nor Baron DeRosen, the Russian minister to Japan, suggested any modifications of the Russian answer to the Japanese proposals. Baron De Rosen was instructed to communicate the reply to Japan. No information has been as to how the Russian counter proposals were received.

WASHINGTON Dec. 14.—The state department has received the following cablegram from United States Minister Allen, dated Seoul, Korea, December 13:

"Japanese forces landed at Mokto, a point on the west coast of Korea, 200 miles south of Chemulpo, yesterday, to protect Japanese subjects from Korean rioters. This has no significance, as trouble is purely local."

It is reported that the Japanese fired into a mob, killing several people.

ANDRENALIN FAILS TO GIVE LIFE TO THE DEAD

Surgeons Strain Every Nerve to Save Man Who Had Been Electrocuted.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 14.—Dr. George Crile and Dr. William Lower, noted surgeons, strained every nerve at Western Reserve college this afternoon in an effort to bring Thomas Kelley, a telephone lineman, who had been electrocuted this morning, back to life.

Hot water bottles were applied to Kelley's extremities and abdomen, while Dr. Lower opened the artery in the left arm. A solution of andrenalin, the wonderful drug of which so much is expected, and a saline solution were injected. The dead man's mouth was opened and his tongue drawn forward with a pair of forceps. Oxygen was administered then by a tube into the lungs.

After working for some time Dr. Lower announced that he had given Kelley artificial respiration, and he then cut into the chest cavity and tried artificial manipulation of the heart. The solutions of andrenalin and salt were continued, so was the administration of oxygen, and the heart manipulations were continued with little result. A faint response was detected once or twice, but when the manipulation was stopped the response ceased.

The doctors claim that had they begun as soon as the man was electrocuted they would have been successful in restoring him to life.

FOUGHT HIS WAY FROM JAIL ONLY TO BE CAUGHT AGAIN

GRAND HAVEN, MICH., Dec. 14.—Sheriff Nikhuis was shot in the jaw and seriously, though not dangerously, injured tonight, by a prisoner named William Wilson, alias Frank Harris, a friend of the prisoner had passed a revolver to him through a jail window. Wilson attacked a deputy making the rounds of the jail and made his way out into the street before being recaptured.

Wedded at Cumberland.

CUMBERLAND, MD., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Marriage licenses were issued here today to the following Pennsylvanians: Ira C. Smith of Bellwood and Sarah C. Boyce of East Pittsburgh; Cleveland F. Schandelmyer and Ada Hewitt of Altoona. Walter Waltemam and Pearl M. Sertkle, West Newton; George D. Patenbrink of Wellersburg and Gertrude G. Barncord of Frostburg, Md.; Albert D. Baker of Altoona and Eva Cline of Blair Furnace.

More Money for Butler Sufferers.

The following subscriptions to the Butler relief fund were sent to Mayor Hays yesterday: Hamilton Hotel and Restaurant association, $100; McIntosh, Hemphill & Co., additional $25; D. X., $10; Daniel McCaffrey's Sons, $10; J. Boulevert, Jr., $5; Samuel D. Risser, $2; Charles Hodge, $10, and James C. Morrow, $10. The total subscriptions to date amount to $2,650.

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EMPEROR'S VOICE SEEMS TO BE RESTORED

He Talked for 45 Minutes to Reichstag Officials Who Made Formal Call.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—Emperor William at the castle today received the president and vice presidents of the reichstag. The emperor emphasized the necessity for Germany concerning herself with over-sea politics. He alluded to the importance of the cultivation of cotton in German colonies and the completion of railroads in the African colonies.

In speaking of the reception President Von Ballestrem, at the opening of the reichstag, said:

After informing his majesty of the organization of the reichstag I spoke of the great anxiety felt by the German people over his sickness and their satisfaction at the happy outcome. His majesty received my words graciously and talked 45 minutes about his sickness and on other subjects. We received the impression that his majesty has fully regained his old-time vigor and that his voice again is clear and full, and only when one listens carefully can one detect a slight hushiness. The emperor was animated.

The statement of the president was applauded.

Herr Bebel, the Socialist leader, in reply to Chancellor Von Buelow in the reichstag today said the chancellor had classed the Socialists with being "impracticable doctrinaires." As to that he desired to refer to the American republic, which occupied a position in the world in comparison with which Germany was gradually sinking.

Her Christmas Doll Brought Death.

CUMBERLAND, MD., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Rosa, 3-years-old daughter of Edward Welsh, of Ridgeley, W. Va., was burned to death tonight. The child was making a rag doll for Christmas.

Sharpsburg to Vacate a Street.

Sharpsburg council last night passed an ordinance vacating LaVick street, Sharpsburg, from Chapham street to the West Penn railroad, in order that the H. J. Heinz Company may build extensive additions to its glass works.

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W. F. Frederick upright piano, used only by Chester Kingsley, Colonial Schley Hotel; colonial style; a rare bargain 300
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POPE IS MUCH PLEASED WITH THE JUBILEE PLAN

Arrangements for Celebration of Proclaimation of Immaculate Conception.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

ROME, Dec. 14.—The pope received in private audience today the committee in charge of the festivities for the fiftieth anniversary of the proclamation of the Immaculate Conception. The committee was headed by Cardinal Vannutelli.

The pope expressed himself as greatly pleased that the Catholics of the entire world will join in celebrating the jubilee and said he trusted as a result of this manifestation God would through the intercession of the Virgin Mary shower more copious benedictions on Christendom.

He promised to personally participate in the most important functions of the celebration, especially that of December 8, 1904, when there will be placed on the head of the Virgin in the picture of the Immaculate Conception, now in the choir of the chapel of the vatican, a crown of twelve large diamond stars, presented by the faithful throughout the world.

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In concluding to discontinue our out-of-town business through agents we found we had an excessively large stock of instruments in hand—entirely too much for retail needs. A number of these instruments were stored, boxed, in our warehouse, a good many were in hands of country agents, a surplus of at least two hundred instruments were on hand.

They consisted of the most of makes, such as Kimball piano, Fischer piano, Chickering bros. pianos, Steinway pianos, Capen pianos, Kranich & Bach pianos, Whitney, Marshall & Wendell, Emerson, Hardman and other makes. Practically all of these pianos new, some were little used or slightly shopworn, but all guaranteed fully.

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A number of very fine Kimball, Hallet & Davis, Chickering Bros., and other makes, worth $400, $425 to $500, to close out at factory prices. Only $198 to $250 can be saved. Terms cash or payments: $15 to $25 down, $8 to $10 per month.

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A $450 Kimball upright, almost like new, only $210. Payments, $7 monthly.

A $325 Hardman upright, dark case, good quality, condition, only $90. Payments $3 monthly.

A $350 Kranich & Bach upright, only $165. Another, considerably worn, only $75. Payments to suit.

A $350 Chickering & Son upright, small size case, only $125. Payments to suit.

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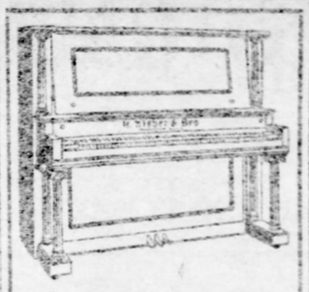

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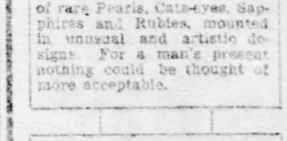

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SEVERAL of the Christmas stocks are being depleted faster than we had thought, so if any of the following are on your gift list, it would be wise to look them up this week: Silverware and Jewelry, Gloves and Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, and in the Toy Department, Basement of East Store, the best things are going out very, very fast. Especially look after the Smoking Jacket you intended to give him.

OUR newly enlarged Restaurant, now taking up the major portion of the sixth floor, West Store, is well able to serve patrons quickly, no matter how large the gathering may be at any particular hour. So many new tables have been introduced that having to wait for a sitting is a thing of the past. Of course, just now at the noon lunch hour the Restaurant presents a busy scene, but don't get the idea into your head that you cannot be served well. By the way, next Saturday, when the store begins its open-evening sessions the Restaurant will also be open. Needn't go home, you know, for dinner—come right to the Restaurant and enjoy a piping hot meal, and then do your shopping afterward.

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Get the Smoking Jacket Soon as You Can.

Every day the variety grows less. Before we bought a single coat we saw all the good makers had to show. The $5.00 and $6.00 coats and those at all prices were then compared and the best selected.

Reversible Cloth Coats, $6.00, $8.00 to $12.00.
Velvet Coats, $8.00 to $18.00.
Matelasse Coats from $12.00 to $58.00.

Presentation Things in Our Housefurnishing Department.

Useful things as well and reduced prices to add to the attraction. Our Basement Housefurnishing Department teems with practical gift articles.

Chafing Dishes—this is a two-day special—our $8.50 Chafing Dish, heavy nickel plated with patent lamp, $4.00.

8 o'clock Tea Kettles—Brass tea kettles on wrought iron stands, new designs, $2.00.

Carpet Sweepers—useful every day in the year. A $3.00 sweeper with nickel plated trimming and all the latest improvements for $2.05.

Japanned Trays—53 cases just arrived a little late, with resulting concessions in price which we pass on to you—25c to $3.90.

Aluminum Ware—it is practically indestructible, hence a present of a piece of this ware is a not-to-be-forgotten one. Tea Kettle, $2.95. Other articles priced proportionately.

Dinner Gongs—These are musical gongs in sets of 4 to 8—prices reduced as follows—$15.00 sets $10.00, $20.00 sets, $15.00, $10.00 sets $5.75.

Medicine Cabinets—There's a suggestion for you—our stock and variety is large, our prices low: $1.50 to $10.00.

Drop Lights—Over 50 different styles and designs for gas, priced from $1.50 to $12.00. We have filled some up complete and marked them very low. Prices are as follows—$6.00 complete lamp $4.00; $5.00 ones, $3.85; $3.85 ones $3.50; $3.00 ones, $2.25.

Something nice for people who own carriages is a Foot Warmer. Imported Foot Warmers, covered with carpet, different sizes, $2.00 to $3.00.

Carving Sets—a stock of these that is very large, including the place all cut $5.00 and $6.00 sets—knife, fork and steel, in case—in a special list and pay for them, $3.85 a set.

Something very special in the way of a carving knife and fork worth $4.25 and $5.00 the pair for the underprice of $2.75 a pair.

Women's and Children's Winter Stockings.

That Stocking Counter of ours, now in main aisle of East Store, has all the variety of women's and children's Winter Stockings that is made—and that's a good many. Prices that are interesting because they are less than is asked for such grades anywhere around Pittsburg we know of.

Children's black Cashmere Stockings, 25c, 35c, 50c and up to $1.25 a pair.

Children's fleece-lined Cotton Stockings, 25c a pair, all with reinforced knees and heels.

Women's black Cashmere Stockings and ribbed and gray natural Wool Stockings, 25c, 35c, 50c and up to $1.25 a pair.

Women's black and colored Silk and Wool Stockings, $1.50 a pair.

Women's plain black Cotton Stockings, with natural wool feet, 75c a pair.

Women's black and Balbriggan Fleeced Stockings, 25c, 35c and 50c a pair.

Demonstration of the Lily Skirt,

which took first prize at the New York Fashion Show—an event of special interest to dressmakers and all followers of fashion.

This demonstration begins this morning in our Lining Department, street floor, West Store.

It is not exactly the Lily Skirt that you are asked to view critically, but the haircloth flounce, which is a part and parcel of it, a flounce that gives grace and style to the skirt and also, when used with the lining pres de soie has that silky rustle so much admired. This pres de soie has a taffeta finish and is a splendid substitute for all silk.

At our Lining Counter we sell both the haircloth flounce and the pres de soie lining.

Men's and Boys' Winter Caps.

If you have any distance to walk from your home to your car, by all means get one of our Automobile Caps—cloth with immense ear flaps that come around under the chin and fasten with one of those snap buttons. $2.50 and up. Seal Caps, electric and real, $3.50 to $15.00.

The boy will thank you for one of our double-band Golf Caps, the double band pulling down over the ears, 50c, 75c, $1.00.

As for the Hats you intend giving your clerks, just write your order on us, and let the recipient choose from the following—

Derby and soft Hats, $2.00, $3.00, $4.00, $5.00.
Silk Hats, $5.00 and $6.00.
Opera Hats, $6.00 and $7.00.

Hockey Shoes.

A recent shipment of Hockey Shoes places our variety for women, boys and girls at its best.

Today everyone who skates wants hockey shoes, of course. Ours are the right kind of oiled leather with heavy sole and ankle strap.

All sizes, $3.50 a pair.

Men's Neckwear, 25c.

Well made Four-in-Hands from a collection of silks intended for 50c scarfs.

For the other and finer Neckwear simply ask to be shown the collection.

Christmas Clothes for Boys.

Needn't wait until Christmas morning to give the boy a good Winter overcoat or a good suit of clothes—like as not he needs them at present more than he will on that day of festivities.

Then as a special consideration the prices are impressively reduced.

Boys' Long Trouser Suits, $10.00 and $12.00, reduced to $7.50.

Boys' Long Trouser Suits, $15.00 and $18.00, reduced to $10.00.

Boys' Overcoats, $15.00 and $18.00, reduced to $12.75.

Boys' Knee Trouser Suits, Norfolk, $6.00 and $7.00, reduced to $5.00.

Boys' Knee Trouser Suits, Norfolk, $10.00, reduced to $7.50.

Little Boys' Suits, Sailor, Etonerfolk and Russian, $6.00, $7.00 and $7.50, reduced to $4.75.

Finer grades of similar suits, $8.50, $9.00 and $10.00, reduced to $5.75.

Rugs—Especially the Oriental Weaves.

It is admitted on all sides that we have the finest collection of Persian and Turkish Rugs west of New York. The range is broad enough to meet the most critical taste, beginning at $3.50 for a neat small rug and running along both in sizes and different prices to the large rug for $1,850.

There is no article that will meet with more appreciation from the housewife, especially the one who always has an eye on the perfect condition of her home, than the Oriental Rug.

At the popular price of $25.00 there are choice Persian Rugs which cannot be duplicated today for less than $45.00. Practically they come direct to you from their semi-barbaric makers in the far East, having been personally selected by our representative.

Christmas Shawls.

Such weather as this should put the notion of Shawls into your mind as something desirable for an elderly woman. We doubt if you could find another collection of shawls anywhere as broad as the one carried on our second floor, West Store.

Shoulder Shawls in many different colors, also different sizes, $1.25 to $3.50.

Very fine Imported Shawls, gray, brown and plaid, $3.50. Bolt square and long Shawls, gray, brown and plaid, $2.75 to $8.00.

Silk Knitted Shawls, with fringe—white and black, $4.50 to $12.00.

Japanese Silk and Crepe Shawls, embroidered, $6.50 to $25.00.

White Cheda Shawls, $9.75 to $16.00.

White Cashmere Shawls, $8.50 to $6.00.

Beaver Shawls, in gray, tan and black, $3.00 to $15.00.

Black Cashmere Shawls, square and long, $3.50 to $12.00.

Black Wool Shawls, square and long, $2.50 to $12.00.

White and black Hairline Shawls, $2.50 and $3.00.

Black and white and red and black Hairline Shawls, square, $4.50.

Zephyr Shawls, white, black, pink, light blue and gray, $1.50 to $4.00.

A very neat Shawl for an elderly lady is that of Chinchilla wool with black border and heavy fringe, $3.00.

Gentlemen, Your Coachmen.

You won't forget him, of course. We take it he would appreciate either of the following:

Fur Collars at $6.00, $8.50 and $10.00.
Fur Capes at $12.00 to $18.00.
Fur Gloves at $5.00 to $10.00.
Fur Caps, $6.00.
Cloth Robes, $5.00 to $20.00.
Fur Robes, $14.00 to $28.00.
Plush Robes, $16.00 to $60.00.

Pittsburg After Night.

A unique and artistic bit of photography showing this great city when night has possession of it.

It is really out of the usual in photography and will appeal strongly to people who have taken up this interesting study, 7½x26 inches. Price 25c. On sale in our Picture Department.

Men's Gloves for Zero Weather.

It is conceded that wool gloves are best for keeping the fingers from tingling—50c a pair and up to $1.50.

Other kinds of good winter gloves—
Heavy Cape and Mocha Gloves, $1.00 to $2.50.
Lined Kid Gloves, $1.50 to $7.50.
Gauntlets, lined and unlined, right for driving and automobiling, $1.50 to $4.50.

The Block Light.

Something new for a useful Christmas present—the light of the century, the Block Light. See its brightness in our Housefurnishing Department, $1.50.

This will be giving light to your friends.

FIFTH, PENN AND CECIL WAY.

DEAL IS MADE IN SIXTEENTH WARD

Orphans, Citizens and Democrats Have Agreed Upon a Councilmanic Ticket.

M'TIGHE MAY BE AN ORPHAN

Orphans, Citizens and Democrats have agreed upon a councilmanic slate in the Sixteenth ward and will meet tonight to nominate it. Each party will be represented by 10 conferees.

The plan is to make Thomas O'Brien the candidate for select councilman. There are two members of the common branch to be nominated and the Democrats the other. The two places on the school board will be divided between the Democrats and Citizens. The conferees will meet at Citizens headquarters.

O'Brien is a member of common council and votes with the Orphans. It is understood that his colleague in the lower branch, Calvin McA. Willey, will not seek a re-election. His friends say that he is to be appointed to a position in the city government. The present member of select council is Charles Stewart. He was elected by the Republicans.

Henry Nichols of the Sixteenth ward, who is one of the assemblymen in the Fifth legislative district, announced yesterday that he would not seek another term. He is interested in a new brewery and says that the business will demand his entire time.

Charles A. Finley, chairman of the Twenty-first ward Citizens committee, makes this statement concerning the probability of the Citizens and Orphans getting together in the ward:

"We intend to confer with the Orphans, but I cannot see how we can indorse Councilmen McNeil and Wymard, the Orphan nominees, for one broke the Citizens party pledge, and the other is satisfied to go on a ticket with him. In my opinion it would be unwise for the Citizens to indorse pledge-breakers."

Councilman E. F. Bigelford, who is chairman of the Fourteenth ward Democratic committee, says that the Orphans have made no effort to secure a meeting of the committee. He announces that the body will be called together when the "standpat city committee takes a date for ward meetings. He is also of the opinion that the Orphan ticket will not be indorsed.

The Twentieth ward Orphans have a meeting scheduled in the Friendship Hall tonight. They hope to elect a chairman of the ward committee and nominate a councilmanic ticket. It is their desire to be first in the field with candidates.

Martin McTighe may become an Orphan and be the candidate of that party in the Sixth ward for select councilman. Dr. J. P. Shaw, the present member of common council and Orphan leader in the ward, has had some conferences with McTighe. Shaw has announced that he will be a candidate for re-election to the seat he now holds. He says that there has been nothing definite done by the Orphans concerning the select council candidate. Last night he introduced into common council an ordinance providing for the repaving of Ann street. The McTighe residence is located in this thoroughfare.

Thomas S. Bigelow expects to have a meeting today with Mayor W. B. Hays and Murry A. Verner. The object of this conference is to arrange plans for the opening of the Citizens councilmanic campaign.

OFFICERS AND PLANS OF NEW LIGHT COMPANY

President R. C. Hall, Makes a Statement Saying Service Can Start in One Year.

Robert C. Hall, the Pittsburgh broker, who has been the leading spirit in the last few years in a number of large transactions here, is president of the Duquesne Light Company. The vice president is Henry McSweeney of the National Transit Company; treasurer, R. H. Slusser of the Russey-Elm Shovel Company, and secretary, Shirley P. Austin, who is associated with Mr. Hall in the brokerage business.

Mr. Hall yesterday made the following statement on behalf of himself and his associates in the enterprise:

"The need of a modern central complete electric light plant for Pittsburgh has been apparent for a long while, but capitalists have been deterred from undertaking it for two reasons: (1) the existing corporation; (2) the cost of putting the wires underground, which would be required from any new electric light company.

As to the present company supplying the city with light, we feel that their facilities are not adequate to the pressing demands of this city, and that a new, well-located plant able to supply light at a moderate rate would find many customers among people not already using electric light.

We intend to supply the current so that it can be used in the humblest home, as well as the most expensive, with profit and advantage. Many have been deterred from its use by its expense, and by the inadequacy of the present facilities. This is evidenced by the multiplication of private plants in the business district of the city, and also the attempt to establish local plants in the residence districts. It is admitted on all hands that a central plant can give better service for less money than can a number of isolated plants, and this we propose to do.

We are in position to make arrangements with one of the existing companies using electric current in this city to use its underground conduits, and if granted a franchise promptly we assure the city government and the people that we will be in position to supply electric light to this city on or before January 1, 1905. No other company now applying for an electric light franchise can by any possibility do this.

We have the hearty support of every citizen of Pittsburgh in our aim to furnish better lighting facilities to the community. The two projects, electric lighting and electric railways, franchises for which were applied for two weeks ago, although not controlled identical in ownership, will work in harmony, both with the idea of supplying additional needed facilities in transportation and in lighting for this great and growing city.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES STOPPED BY SMALLPOX

All the churches of Pitcairn were closed Sunday because of the fear of smallpox, and all the customary Christmas festivities in the churches have been declared off. A quarantine has been established without guards, the families of victims being simply put on their honor to keep within borders. There is some controversy between the health board and local physicians as to wether the epidemic is really smallpox, the latter therefore contending that it is nothing more than chickenpox.

Seven Sigma Chi Speakers.

Seven addresses will be made in response to toasts at the Sigma Chi fraternity banquet at the Union club next Saturday evening. The speakers and subjects will be: Hon. John P. Dilich, "The Spirit of Fraternity;" J. F. Burke, "Then and Now;" A. B. Hay, "Under the Bamboo Tree;" B. F. Wendel, "The Unexpected;" Judge R. P. McCann, "Our Fair Allies;" Judge Howard Ferrie, "The Day of Small Things;" W. H. P. Conklin, "Chapter House."

B. & O.'s Earnings Show Increase.

According to the official report, completed yesterday, the Baltimore & Ohio railroad's earnings for November were: Gross, $5,819,863, or $769,012, net, $1,760,840. Decrease $171,139. The earnings for the five months ended with November were: Gross, $29,228,272, decrease $2,496,610, net, $11,666,508, increase $172,200.

CAMPBELL'S
First Zero Weather Calls for Furs.

Muffs, Boas, Scarfs and Russels changed hands so rapidly at Campbell's yesterday that it would seem as though half the men in town are buying furs as Christmas gifts for their families. This is a move in the right direction. Nothing gives greater pleasure to a dressy woman than a handsome muff or a rich neckpiece. Prices all the way from $2.98 to $500.

Easy Money

If you need money for the holidays or any other purpose, consult the MECHANICS' SAVINGS & TRUST CO., 401 BIJOU BUILDING, 611 PENN AVE. They loan from $10 to $1,000 on furniture, pianos, household goods, or any other kind of security, on liberal terms. Easy payments and strictly confidential.

WAGES OF 150,000 MEN WILL BE MADE LOWER

Ninety Per Cent of Employes of United States Steel Corporation Affected by Changes January 1. Steel Pools to Meet.

Ninety per cent of the employes of the United States Steel Corporation, through its subsidiary companies, will suffer wage reductions ranging from 5 to 20 per cent on January 1. The statement was made yesterday by a leading official of the corporation and is the first authoritative pronunciamento on this part of the plan of holding down the cost of production. In all about 150,000 workmen in the various grades of the subsidiary companies will be affected.

The remaining 10 per cent of the corporation's employes are members of the Amalgamated association, whose wage scale runs to July 1, 1904. It is said that no attempt will be made to effect an agreement with the Amalgamated association for a reduction until that time. The subsidiary companies are bound by contracts to the wage schedule. Reports were current last week that the Amalgamated would be asked for a reduction now.

With this reduction of wages comes also the dismissal of many high-salaried employes in addition to those already let go. It was also asserted that, barring some unforeseen technicalities, employes of the corporation who participated in the profit-sharing plan will in the coming month receive a $5 dividend on the preferred stock to which they subscribed at $82.50 the share.

Throughout this week there will be meetings in New York of the pools through which are controlled the prices of the various lines of steel. There have been rumors that the billet pool would be dissolved and an open market made, but this is not considered likely, as the pool now includes every important billet-producing concern in the country. A price of $23 a ton was fixed at the November meeting for the month just ending. The coming meeting will fix the price for the first quarter of the year.

All possible pressure is being brought to bear on the steel rail pool to reduce the price of rails below $28 a ton. It is said that many large orders are being held off in order to force this lowering, the railroads claiming that $28 is a fair price.

FEDERAL BANK GAINS $108,000 ON FIRST DAY

Reopening of Well-Known Institution Furnishes Ocasion for Congratulation All Around.

The reopening of the Federal National bank, Fifth avenue and Smithfield street, yesterday after a little less than two months' suspension took on the character of a congratulatory fest. Everyone interested turned up smiling with felicitations for President Hugh Young and Receiver John B. Cunningham on the outcome and the new start the bank has made in business.

That something better than glad hands and smiles came the way of the reopened Federal was shown by the fact that at the close of the day's business the books showed $108,000 more deposits than withdrawals. The bank has entrusted to its care now $1,500,000. Twenty-six new accounts were opened.

The day of reopening was also the 70th birthday of Col. Young. From the employes of the bank came a huge bunch of roses, with another bunch from John S. Craig, a director, and a third from James S. Kuhn, W. S. Kuhn and L. L. McClelland of the Pittsburgh Bank for Savings.

The resuming for active business of over a million and a half of dollars on one day cannot fail to have a good effect on the general financial condition of the city. It removes from the circle of Pittsburgh banks the last mark of the adverse conditions of two months ago.

Swem's Body Taken by Friends.

Relatives of Samuel B. Swem, aged 68, who died last week in the insane department of Claremont, have claimed his remains and have buried them at West Newton. At the time of Swem's death the charities officials did not know of the whereabout of his friends and were preparing to turn the body over to the anatomical society. Swem had been in the home for more than 24 years.

HEADACHES FROM COLDS.
Laxative Bromo Quinine removes the cause. To get the genuine, call for the full name. 25c.

LOCAL LIQUOR OUTPUT GETS A COMPLIMENT

"Bottled in Bond" Representative Visits City in Interest of Exhibit.

"There is more genuine whisky put up under government certificate in and about the city of Pittsburgh than any other city in the entire east," said Edmund W. Taylor of Frankfort, Ky., who has charge of the "bottled in bond division" of the national pure food exhibit which is being organized for the world's fair. Mr. Taylor has been making a tour of the country, inviting all who bottle whisky under government supervision to participate in the exhibit, and was in this city yesterday.

The exhibit represented by Mr. Taylor aims to show how purchasers of whisky are now able to secure an unadulterated article by looking for the government stamp over the cork of the bottle, all of which is made possible by provisions of the United States revised Statutes.

"There are to be no trade marks, no commercial labels, on the bottles in bond exhibit," said Mr. Taylor, "so the people will be able to see the protection by virtue of the guarantee strip authorized by the government.

"The fact," continued Mr. Taylor, "that the sale of so much adulterated whisky is being exposed in Pennsylvania is due more to the activities of the food commission of this state, in its work to purify the food commerce of the commonwealth, than because the adulterations are excessive in Pennsylvania." He added: "It was asserted at the national pure food congress, in St. Paul last summer, that 50 per cent of the so-called whiskies on the American market today are either adulterations or imitations. Let the people learn of the guarantee stamp, and the most casual observer can distinguish at a glance."

Postmaster's Salary Increased.

Through the good offices of the East End board of trade and Congressman John Dalzell an increase of salary was granted E. S. Coriett, superintendent of the East Liberty station of the Pittsburgh postoffice. He was formerly getting $1,400 a year, but from now on will get $200 more.

SHOT HIS WIFE WHILE FOOLING

Homestead Hungarian's Reckless Play With a Revolver May Cause Wife's Dath.

WAS WARNED TO BE CAREFUL

Steve Szelagusi, a Hungarian, was committed to the Allegheny county jail last night, on a charge of felonious shooting, by Justice of the Peace C. W. McCleery of Munhall, to await the result of his wife's injuries. She is at the Mercy hospital. Constable Robert A. Batch, who arrested the foreigner, said the woman was shot by accident.

Szelagusi is a laborer at the Homestead steel works. When he returned home yesterday afternoon he got his revolver, which, it is said, he thought was not loaded and snapped it in the faces of his children, who endeavored to exhibit the play, but the mother became alarmed.

"Steve," you should be careful," she said.

"Maybe you are afraid of it," answered the husband.

With this he snapped the revolver at his wife. The weapon exploded and the bullet pierced her right lung. The husband was horror-stricken and hurried to the steel works to notify his son, who is also employed there. Dr. J. S. McNeilly was summoned and he attended the woman's wounds. Officers Stack and Layman placed the husband under arrest and he was taken before the justice of the peace and sent to jail. The woman's wound is said to be serious.

Cigar Salesman Arrested.

Harry Workman, a salesman for the United Cigar Company's branch store at Fifth avenue and Grant street, was arrested yesterday on a charge of embezzlement. The specific offense charged against Workman is the taking of 25 cents, for which he failed to ring in the store counts about $40. Workman was committed to jail for a hearing this afternoon.

Liquor Store Twice Entered.

An attempt was made yesterday morning to rob the liquor store of Mrs. Hugh Morgan, 29 McClure avenue, Allegheny. Charles Kline, a clerk living in the store, discovered a negro going through a rear window. Kline chased the negro over a back fence and for several blocks, but failed to catch him. The store was robbed several weeks ago.

Suggestion to Business Men.

Postmaster George L. Holtzday has requested the business men and others who are sending out advertising matter and calendars through the mails to do so this week or wait until week after next. If this matter is taken to the postoffice next week the clerks will be unable to handle it, as holiday presents are expected to be as much as the force can take care of.

HOSTETTER'S CELEBRATED STOMACH BITTERS

Food eaten without appetite remains undigested, causing Heartburn, Flatulency Indigestion and Dyspepsia.

To cure these ailments the Bitters is strongly recommended by physicians. Try it, also get our 1904 Almanac from your druggist. It is free.

Dr. Shoop's RHEUMATIC CURE

Costs Nothing If it Fails.

Any honest person who suffers from Rheumatism is welcome to this offer. For years I searched everywhere to find a specific for Rheumatism. For nearly 20 years I worked to this end. At last, in Germany, my search was rewarded. I found a costly chemical that did not disappoint me as other Rheumatic prescriptions had disappointed physicians everywhere.

I do not mean that Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Cure can turn bony joints into flesh again. That is impossible. But it will drive from the blood the poison that causes pain and swelling, and then that is the end of Rheumatism. I know this so well that I will furnish for a full month my Rheumatic Cure on trial. I cannot cure all cases within a month. It would be unreasonable to expect that. But most cases will yield within 30 days. This trial treatment will convince you that Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Cure is a power against Rheumatism—a potent force against disease that is irresistible.

My offer is made to convince you of my faith. My faith is but the outcome of experience—of actual knowledge. I KNOW what it can do. And I know this so well that I will furnish my remedy on trial. Simply write me a postal for my book on Rheumatism. I will then arrange with a druggist in your vicinity so that you can secure six bottles of Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Cure to make the test. You may take it a full month on trial. If it succeeds the cost to you is $5.00. If it fails the loss is mine and mine alone. It will be left entirely to you. I mean that exactly. If you say the trial is not satisfactory, I don't expect a penny from you.

I have no samples. Any mere sample that can affect chronic Rheumatism must be drugged to the verge of danger. I use no such drugs, for it is dangerous to take them. You must get the disease out of the blood. My remedy does that and in the most efficient, complete manner. It has cured the oldest cases that I ever met, and in all of my experience, in all of my 2,000 tests, I never found another remedy that would cure one chronic case in ten.

Write me and I will send you the book. Try my remedy for a month, for it can't harm you anyway. If it fails the loss is mine. Address Dr. Shoop, Box 5078, Racine, Wis.

Mild cases not chronic are often cured by one or two bottles. At all druggists.

ATHLETES

TO KEEP IN GOOD TRIM MUST LOOK WELL TO THE CONDITION OF THE SKIN. TO THIS END THE BATH SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH

HAND SAPOLIO

All Grocers and Druggists.

Shoes W. B. LOVELESS Stockings 4 PENN

PICKERING'S

Morris Chair Display

Is Great. Come Take Your Pick. Don't Bother About Money. Your Credit Is Good. Make Your Selection Now—We Will Deliver Any Time—Collect Later.

See This One for $7.50

It's getting late, better leave your order at once.

We have others $4.75, $5.50, $6.50 up to $50.00

DEN FURNITURE

Our line takes in the entire basement—Our prices 25% less than the exclusive stores. Also Combination Cases, Writing Desks, Parlor and Music Cabinets by the score.

Get the Habit Tenth and Penn That's Us "Nuf Ced"

Your Credit Is Good

HAMILTON'S PIANOS AT $200

Are A Christmas Offering Worthy of You and of the Firm

In anticipation of a large demand this season for moderate priced pianos, we selected a line of instruments at $200 that are by long odds the best for the money that we have ever seen. Customers are assured that these pianos are entirely satisfactory from every standpoint. In tonal quality, durability and beauty of case designs they fulfill every expectation.

We know what these instruments are and their capabilities.

We have tested them by the best standards.

And in calling your attention to this line of $200 pianos we respectfully remind you of the many years this house has been associated with such noble instruments as the A. B. Chase ($500 and up), the Fischer ($400 and up), the Schumann ($325 and up), and others, which should fully assure you that any piano we might offer you, no matter how low the price, would be worthy of you and of us.

One of these $200 pianos will be delivered for you upon payment of $25, and $10 a month thereafter.

We always make terms to suit the convenience of our customers.

OPEN EVERY EVENING TILL CHRISTMAS

The Best Talking Machines Delivered for One Dollar. (Remaining Payments to Suit.)

A good talking machine would be an excellent Christmas gift. It would be an endless source of amusement and entertainment to every member of the family, and especially a delight to the children and their friends. Columbia Graphophones have no equal. They reproduce songs, speeches, band music, etc., with marvelous distinctness and perfect accuracy.

The Angelus Piano Player.

Coincident with a good piano, now and always, is the Angelus Piano Player. Wherever the piano is valued for its intrinsic worth and not as a mere article of furniture, the Angelus Piano Player is indispensable.

Anyone can play any make of piano by means of the Angelus, which is not only the original piano player, but admittedly the best.

Prices $250 to $300.

Sold also on easy payments.

Martin Guitars and Mandolins

Are the standard of all the world and are most highly prized by the critical.

Prices $30 and Up.

Other Guitars, $3.50 up. Mandolins, $1.75 up. Banjos, $4 to $40.

Sheet Music for Christmas Gifts.

A package of popular songs makes a desirable Christmas gift and is always acceptable in any home where there is a piano. It is certain to please and has the advantage of being a permanent reminder of the esteem of the giver.

Here you will find not only all the popular hits, both vocal and instrumental, but also the scores of all the latest operas.

Music Rolls.

From the modest paper roll to the finest Alligator or Seal, 25c to $75. All standard styles, colors and materials.

Music Cabinets

in various fancy woods, $6 to $50.

Piano stools, benches, chairs, $2.50 to $20.

Piano Scarfs

Velour, silk, satin, damask, all patterns, $2 to $20.

A Music Box Delivered for One Dollar.

In no other way could the immediate outlay of a dollar secure so fine a Christmas gift as a good music box. And bear in mind that this remarkable offer gives you choice of the best three makes of music boxes on the market—the Mira, the Stella and the Regina.

There are no other music boxes in the world to compare with these. The music box will be delivered on payment of one dollar. You can make the remaining payments at your convenience.

We have 20,000 new Disc and Cylinder Records for Talking Machines,

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Tuesday, December 15, 1903.

Herr Bebel, Socialist leader in the reichstag, yesterday pointed to the United States as a complete refutation of the charge brought against his partisans that they are merely "idealist sentimentalists." The appellation of Herr Bebel's party is the Socialist Democrats. It may be inferred from Herr Bebel's remarks that he is really a Democrat and not a Socialist, for there is nothing in American institutions to deserve the name of socialism. We have here a Democracy. It is not news that many of the German Socialist Democrats have no sympathy with the utopian socialist dreams, but are at heart republicans only. And so Herr Bebel evidently classes himself.

While news comes from the orient that the ships of Japan and Russia have been put into war paint, the Japanese ambassador at London announces that he has received from his government a copy of the Russian reply to Japan's representations, and that it indicates a pacific settlement. Evidently there have been highly colored reports sent out from far eastern centers, not always firmly founded on truth. War is not imminent in that quarter. At the same time it is only fair to admit there has been a situation there full of possibilities. A wrong act or word might have precipitated a conflict, and even now the whole danger has not passed. We believe Russia wants peace, and it will probably be better for Japan to maintain it on honorable terms.

Gen. Tasker E. Bliss makes timely objection to the false report of his testimony before the senate military affairs committee. There is a vast difference between what he was reported to have said and what he really did say. The report was highly unfavorable to Gen. Wood. The statement made in the letter to Secretary Root is distinctly favorable. Secretary Root's reply is justifiable, too, though it may savor somewhat of a judgment passed before all of the testimony is in. There really is no occasion for him to call Gen. Wood from the Philippines to refute testimony that is unfavorable only when warped, or that of witnesses discredited in large part by their personal animosities. There has been no reasonable presumption of proof of anything that could disqualify Gen. Wood for promotion and nothing that would justify a trip home to contradict it.

Western Reserve scientists have made heroic efforts to restore life to the dead, but without conspicuous success. The first trial gave some encouragement. The last was a flat failure, though all of the latest methods were practiced. Thus it appears likely that another of man's attempts to defeat nature has come to naught. It is probably better so. Death must come to all of us. It might be of some advantage to us if we could choose the time and place. Yet it might not be of equal advantage in the working out of the larger problems of the universe. Some things we do not know and we cannot find out. It is our duty to care for the living, to prolong life while we may, to exercise care to avoid violating nature's laws. For the remainder we may have an abiding faith. Sometimes it may be possible to bring the dead to life, but when it is not science may bow, too, to the higher power.

Select council had no quorum yesterday. A majority of members were too busy with their Christmas shopping to attend the meeting. The selection of toy engines and gum dolls' babies for little nephews and nieces and knick-knacks for other small folk is an arduous task, as those who have tried it well know. These things have to be attended to, and there is no day like Monday for the purpose, a great many women being detained at home on that day to superintend the family washing. Of course, some people think the business before councils is urgent. Certainly, certainly, but it will not become less urgent or important by being postponed, while on the other hand the stock of gum babies might become exhausted if councilmen were not promptly in the market. There will be another day for councils to meet this year, just after Christmas, and there will be no gum babies to interfere then.

A man was arrested at New Castle yesterday for robbing a cemetery of evergreens which he was selling for Christmas trees. This might be turned into an argument for the reforestation of our waste land, for the demand for Christmas trees ought to be met somehow. In an extreme situation it might serve to point an argument against planting evergreen trees in cemeteries. But without argument the man who robbed the cemetery and foisted his grave-grown greenery on an unsuspecting public for festal use ought to go to jail and remain there until it would be too late to go into the tree business for next Christmas. That phase of it needs no argument and no illustration.

Two of the postal officials implicated by the exposures of fraud have received punishment. Thomas W. McGregor and C. Ellsworth Upton, clerks in the rural free delivery division, were convicted in the United States court at Baltimore after a trial lasting six days. They have been sentenced to serve two years in the Maryland penitentiary and to pay a fine of $1,000. Other trials will follow in due course, and before the government gets through the grafters will be not only out of the department, but a good many will be wearing prison stripes. The test of practical results shows that the system of administrative appointment and control upon which the federal service is constituted works better than the system of popular election to administrative posts generally in force in state government. The people have practically little choice, as they must take such men as party interests offer as candidates, and when election day is over the people are powerless to interfere until the next election day arrives. The system, therefore, lacks the element of supervision and continuous control. While of inestimable value as a means of regulating public policy it has not worked well as an agency of administration. Under the federal system the power of the people remains active over every branch of administration through their plenary representative, the president. Even if fraud obtains a foothold, the system possesses a curative vigor which may at any time become operative. The postal frauds were so cautiously managed that they passed two congressional investigations unscathed, but the administration through its own agencies finally detected and exposed them and is now bringing the guilty to punishment.

Will Justice Fail?

It is feared the decision of the Missouri supreme court in the Bonner case will operate to secure the release of all of the St. Louis boodlers on a technicality. The decision in that case holds that it was prosecuted upon illegal information. Warrants issued upon the oath of District Attorney Folk, alleging crimes "upon information received." The supreme court pronounces this irregular and declares that indictments can be found only upon charges under oath by prosecuting witnesses. Mr. Folk has started new proceedings against the other defendants, having informations sworn by the prosecuting witnesses, but even these may not avail, as an attorney is quoted for the opinion that the statute of limitations became operative in November against such proceedings.

We shall be very sorry to see these cases, which have attracted world-wide attention, fail upon a mere technicality like that. There is nowhere any denial that the prosecuting witnesses have told the truth upon the stand. Bonner was convicted upon their testimony. But merely because the indictment rested upon the prosecuting attorney's sworn statement on "information received," instead of the sworn information of a witness having personal knowledge of the facts, the man once convicted of boodling is set free. For the same reason a dozen of his fellows may be liberated, unless the court shall decide that Attorney Folk's present procedure is in the nature of an amendment to proceedings begun before the statute of limitations intervened.

If these cases fail upon specious pleading the result will be irreparable injury to the public. The fact will bring the courts and the system of jurisprudence into popular contempt. The people will inquire what kind of law and justice it is that aids the guilty to escape, simply because an error has been made in the form of information filed. It may be law, but it is not justice. Justice seeks to be impartial, but to punish the guilty. This sort of law does nothing but permit the guilty to escape without the necessity even of making a pretense of innocence. It is just such things as this that incite the people to take vengeance into their own hands when they desire to make sure that punishment will be meted out. Reform of court procedure must precede abolition of the horribly prevalent lynching habit.

Mistakes of a Leader.

If the Hon. John Sharp Williams, leader of the Democrats in the national house of representatives, was sincere in declaring to a reporter in Baltimore that "the chances of a Democratic victory are better with Roosevelt as the Republican candidate than with any other man," it betrays a singular lack of knowledge of conditions and a sectional perception that may be due in no small measure to inherited prejudice and to failure to mix on equal terms with people of parts of the United States not neighbor to Mississippi. A certain feeling has been aroused against President Roosevelt in southern states and among southern statesmen because of his refusal to move to the south side of the color line, and Mr. Williams, feeling, perhaps, rather than admitting, that Washington is pretty far north and that the north and the west are much alike, may have been misled into mistaking southern sentiment for national public opinion. We would rather believe this of the Democratic leader of the house than think him insincere, but that he is either insincere or mistaken admits of no question among people who take a broad survey of the United States, and do not weigh and measure public sentiment by the standards of belief of a circumscribed area. Mr. Williams' fellow Democrat, Judge Peter S. Grosscup of Chicago, does not share the opinion expressed by the Mississippi member of congress. Judge Grosscup gets around over the country a great deal and is a good mixer. He undoubtedly has a much more intimate acquaintance with public thought and with the mainsprings of public action than has the Democratic political leader. Further than this he is without personal political ambition to obscure his judgment. It is Judge Grosscup's opinion, as it is the opinion of Mr. Williams, that Roosevelt will be nominated, but it is also Judge Grosscup's opinion that the possibility of a Democrat defeating him is as remote as the prospect that any other Republican name will be presented in the Republican national convention.

Mr. Williams, when he declares that the country distrusts Roosevelt, probably has his mind on the country bounded on the north by the Potomac river. He cannot have taken account of the enthusiastic indorsements of the president during the present year by Republican state conventions. Perhaps he does not consider that Republican state conventions are representative of or factors in the making of public sentiment, but north of the Potomac and throughout the bounding west there are hosts of people who hold a contrary view.

When Mr. Williams, later on the same day, addressed a Democratic organization, he declared the tariff to be "a system of taxation whereby many people are robbed that a few may be artificially hot-housed in prosperity." Is this public sentiment? The verdict of the people of the United States has been against such doctrine, and has been very earnestly against it ever since Mr. Cleveland endeavored to ram it down their throats. It is the opinion of Mr. Williams and of other Democratic leaders and spokesmen, but the votes of the people prove that it is not public opinion. Mr. Williams' expressions with regard to the election of Roosevelt and the view taken of Roosevelt by the country and by the business interests are as little in accord with the popular feeling as are his expressions with regard to the tariff. The Democratic leader of the house ought to travel, with his eyes and ears wide open and his mind receptive. It would do him good, make him a better adviser of his party and add value to his prophecies.

Another Good Reason.

From time to time The Gazette has urged the adoption of the "post check" system for the convenience of the people in making remittances of small amounts through the mails. We think the convenience of the system has been fully proven. There are other important considerations in its favor, however, as may be learned from the annual report of Third Assistant Postmaster General E. C. Madden. Mr. Madden is a postal expert, so what he says carries weight, and this is what he says:

"The practice of the public of using postage stamps for small remittances in the mails has grown to enormous proportions. The result is that the department loses heavily, not only because of improper sales by postmasters for that purpose, thereby increasing their compensation wrongfully, but in imposing upon postoffices, especially in the large cities, the labor of handling mail matter the revenues from which are derived by other postoffices. It encourages trafficking in postage stamps, and this encourages the robbery of postoffices. Many plans have been proposed for obviating this evil, but none which have come to my attention equal in simplicity, effectiveness and efficiency the 'post check' proposition. With such a simple means of making remittances merchants would soon be compelled to refuse postage stamps as currency. The postage stamp would then lose its value for the purpose of remittance."

To this resume Mr. Madden adds a recommendation for favorable consideration of the proposed new system. Postoffice robberies have become lamentably frequent during late years. The plunder obtained is chiefly postage stamps. The market for stamps to be used as small currency affords the thieves their only opportunity to dispose of what they steal. It seems as though this single object might justify adoption of the proposed system. Our cotemporary, the Post, intimates that forgery of post check bills may become as common as postoffice robberies, but we do not think so. That would come under the counterfeiting laws, and besides would demand a higher grade of ability than blowing a postoffice safe.

That Chicago university professor who says that capitalists are idlers hasn't been reading the testimony with regard to the United States Shipbuilding Company, from which it appears that at least a few capitalists were up and doing, or at least, trying to do.

It is reported that the managers of the St. Louis fair will ask congress for another $4,000,000. They have many reasons why the request should be granted, but the foundation one is that they need the money.

The Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale has been picked for chaplain of the United States senate. However, all that is expected of the chaplain is that he will behave himself. He isn't required to influence results.

The thought that the gas bill won't be due until more than two weeks after the Christmas stockings have been filled and emptied inspires the Christmas shopper with fresh courage.

For the benefit of readers who want to know where to find Santa Claus headquarters we will again remark that the advertisment of the place appears in The Gazette.

It is seasonable weather, of course, but a little more seasonable than usual at this time of the year, according to the records.

The painting of the Russian and Japanese warships black may be ominous of crepe on a great many doors.

If the weather works continue in the way they are now going more people than usual will cut some ice.

Winter lingers in the lap of December.

Journalistic.

Our esteemed cotemporary, the Johnstown Tribune, has celebrated its semi-centennial by the issue of a mammoth 88-page number, the first section being printed in colors in the highest style of the art. The Tribune was established as a weekly paper in 1853 and its daily edition appeared in 1878, a most trying period in the financial history of the country. The several sections are devoted to the history of Johnstown and Cambria county, conveniently divided into separate topics and comprise a volume of extraordinary interest. Not the least interesting of these sections is one bearing the caption "Editorial Reminiscences," written by the veteran and able editor, George T. Swank. The Tribune is highly prosperous and deserves its good fortune, and we hope its next 50 years' growth will surpass that of the half century completed.

The Quiet Observer.

ERASMUS WILSON.

Right away, quick!

This morning there appeared in this column an appeal for a copy of the poem, "Prayer and Potatoes." The appeal was of the hurry-up sort, as the poem was needed right off.

At 4 o'clock p. m. a copy of the verses desired was received from a reader in Rochester, Pa., which is herewith presented to the readers of The Gazette.

When you want a thing, and don't see it, ask for it, and you will get it sure, if you ask in the right way, at the right time, and of the right quest; all of which was done in this case. That the answer will be highly satisfactory none will doubt. Besides, the gourand reader will be glad to get hold of this old and oft-time Yankee poem, to-wit:

Rarely has The Gazette failed to bring the answer to inquiries for old poems, songs, books and such like, or anything asked for through its columns. Somebody has them, or knows where they are and seeing the inquiry for them reply promptly.

These old favorites, although they may not be great, are very dear to those who once knew them well, but have forgotten or almost forgotten.

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Mr. Quiet Observer:—Noticing your request for the poem, "Prayer and Potatoes" in this morning's Gazette I herewith copy it for you from my scrap book, giving also the authority for it.

The poem first appeared in the Waverly magazine. It administers a serene, though just rebuke to wordy Christians. It appeared as anonymous, but it is a part of a charity sermon preached in Dorchester, Mass., by the Rev. J. T. Pettee, some 20 years ago; the text of the sermon being, "If a brother or sister be naked and destitute of daily bread, and you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful for the body, what doth it profit?"—James ii, 16.

SARA E. KENNEDY.

New Brighton, Pa.

Forty-five minutes later another copy, carefully and neatly written was received accompanied with this note:

Dear Quiet Observer:—I am just 12 years old, but enjoy The Quiet Observer column of The Pittsburgh Gazette, and noticed today that you would like to have a copy of the poem, "Prayer and Potatoes," written by the Rev. J. T. Pettee, which I herewith enclose.

REED SIMS.

No. 6228 Bond street, East End.

An old lady sat in her old arm chair,
With wrinkled visage and, dishevelled hair,
And pale and hungry-worn features;
For days and for weeks her only fare,
As she sat there in her old arm chair,
Had been potatoes.

But now they were gone; of bad or good,
Not one was left for the old lady's food
Of those potatoes,
And she sighed and said, "What shall I do?
Where shall I send, and to whom shall I go
For more potatoes?"

And she thought of the deacon over the way,
The deacon so ready to worship and pray,
Whose cellar was full of potatoes,
And she said, "I will send for the deacon to
He'll not mind much to give me some (come;
Of such a store of potatoes."

And the deacon came over as fast as he could,
Thinking to do the old lady some good,
But never for once of potatoes;
He asked her at once what was her chief want,
And she, simple soul, expecting a grant,
Immediately answered, "potatoes."

But the deacon's religion didn't lie that way;
He was more accustomed to preach and to pray,
Than to give his hoarded potatoes; (pray,
So, not hearing, of course, what the old lady
He rose to pray with uncovered head (said,
But she only thought of potatoes.

He prayed for patience and wisdom and grace,
But when he prayed, "Lord, give her peace,"
She audibly sighed, "give potatoes!"
And at the end of each prayer which he said,
He heard, or thought that he heard in its stead
That same request for potatoes.

The deacon was troubled; knew not what to do,
'Twas very embarrassing to have her act so
About "those carnal potatoes."
So ending his prayer, he started for home;
But, as the door closed behind him, he heard
a deep groan,
"Oh, give to the hungry, potatoes!"

And that groan followed him all the way home;
In the midst of the night it haunted his room—
"Oh, give to the hungry, potatoes!"
He could bear it no longer; arose and dressed,
From his well-filled cellar taking in haste
A bag of his best potatoes.

Again he went to the widow's lone hut;
Her sleepless eyes she had not shut;
But there she sat in that old arm chair,
With the same wan features, the same sad air,
And entering in, he poured on the floor
A bushel or more, from his goodly store,
Of choicest potatoes.

The widow's heart leaped up for joy.
Her face was haggard and wan no more.
"Now," said the deacon, "shall we pray?"
"Yes," said the widow, "now you may."
And he kneeled him down on the sanded floor,
Where he had poured his goodly store,
And such a prayer the deacon prayed,
As never before his lips essayed;
No longer embarrassed, but free and full,
He poured out the voice of a liberal soul,
And the widow responded aloud, "Amen!"
But said no more of potatoes.

And would you, who hear this simple tale,
Pray for the poor, and praying, "prevail?"
Then preface your prayers with alms and good deeds;
Search out the poor, their wants and their needs;
Pray for peace, and grace, and spiritual food,
For wisdom, and guidance—for all these are good—
But don't forget the potatoes.

—J. T. Pettee.

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Nor is it a bad sort of sermon. In fact it is rather a good sort—a sort that is much in demand, although not as fashionable, nor as popular as some others.

The practical preacher, the one who practices what he preaches, and preaches what the people need, is not always regarded as being of good form according to the world's standards. And yet the chances are that he will do as much for poor humanity as his highly proper brother, if not more.

Of course, you know there is quite a difference between prayer and potatoes, but in order to fully appreciate the difference you should get sick and hungry some times when there isn't a bite in the house to eat, and not a cent with which to buy a bite. At such a time the most eloquent and unctuous of prayers would seem a mockery, while a bag of potatoes would be regarded as a veritable God-send and the bearer be hailed as a messenger from heaven.

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Another quick return was the following which called attention to a typographical error occurring in the second line of the quotation from Thomas Moore's song:

"Oft in the stilly night,
Ere slumber's charm has bound me."

Of course, it should have been "slumber's chain," and not charm that bound.

Mr. Quiet Observer:—An error crept into your quotations from Moore in this morning's Gazette. The verses, correctly quoted, are as follows:

Oft in the stilly night,
Ere slumber's chain has bound me,
Fond memory brings the light
Of other days around me;—

"The smiles, the tears of boyhood's years
The words of love then spoken;
The eyes that shone, now dimm'd and gone,
The cheerful hearts, now broken."

One might easily imagine that the four lines succeeding the foregoing could be put into the mouth of an old dog, looking into the window of a sausage maker:

When I remember all
The friends, so link'd together,
I've seen around me fall,
Like leaves in wintry weather.—

But this would be a profanation apt to bring back the spirit of the Irish poet. Even Oliver might "call for Moore," and then there would be a Dickens of a time. BUMBLEPUPPIE.

An Appreciative Audience.

How would it do to send Senator Morgan down to give the Colombian army an extensive section of his canal oration?—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Talked of in New York

GEORGE C. JENKS.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Nowhere is the spirit of Christmas more manifest than in the postoffice. The rush of holiday gifts through the mails is noted every December, but in a great seaport city like New York it is more emphatic than in inland towns. The ocean liners, packed to their berths, all along the shore front of Manhattan are bulging with Christmas mail as they swing in or back out, for many letters and presents are sent one way as the other. The postoffice authorities declare that the Christmas mail between New York and Europe is greater in volume than ever before. From this they deduce the belief that times are not so hard as some persons have tried to make us believe, on either side of the ocean. The character of the presents sent and received differs materially. Those sent from this country to remote districts in Great Britain, Germany, Russia, France, Italy and dozens of thrifty little villages are often in the shape of money, while the gifts coming here are small articles of clothing, gaily printed Christmas cards, and nick-nacks whose chief value is the warmth of affection coming with them and the memories of the "old country" that they evolve.

One of the gratifying features of the tremendous Christmas rush of mail is that there are so few losses, either through incorrect or illegible superscriptions. The men in the "blind" department of the New York postoffice are among the greatest experts in America—as they need to be. Some of the problems offered for their consideration seem absolutely unsolvable, but very few of them get away when the staff of "blind" clerks have tackled them. It is at this season of the year that they have to work double turn, as do most of their comrades in the big building where the mails from Broadway and Park Row come together with a roar.

Schwab Couldn't Lose Money.

Charles M. Schwab spent yesterday afternoon at the portrait show, in connection with its visit this story was going the rounds today: Mr. Schwab paid for his 50 cent ticket of admission with a $20 gold piece. The young woman at the desk counted "10, 15, 16, 17—" Mr. Schwab stopped her by telling her she was robbing herself, that he had only given her $10. "My money does not multiply that fast in New York," he laughed. The girl showed that he had given her $20, and as Mr. Schwab continued to smile, he remarked: "I cannot lose money in this house; I know that, I try." Then he passed on to look at the portraits, as he carelessly dropped the $19.50 into his pocket.

Bike Racers Serene.

There was a great deal of tomfoolery published last week about the bad physical condition of the participants in the six-day bicycle race. The men were all around today, looking as bright and chipper as if they had been taking a week's holiday in the country, instead of dashing around the track in the smoke laden atmosphere of Madison Square garden. Every man of them looked well. The "crazed wretches," who were so graphically described in some of the sensational papers, have resolved themselves into wiry-looking young men, who might go in for another week's race if inducements were offered. It is getting through the minds of many New Yorkers that the talk about "doped" and collapsing riders was set going for advertising purposes. Plenty of men would pay to see a madman racing around on a wheel who would not give their time, much less their money, to witness the performance of a sane pedestrian. That is the theory, and the managers of the race, with their pockets bulging with money, who entertained the riders at the Bartholdi hotel this morning, by handing over their prize money, might confess, if they would, that it is a sound one. No one was seriously hurt at any time in the week, wild reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

No Evidence of Jobs.

Word comes from Washington that C. F. Murphy and Mayor-elect McClellan are in conference, presumably making up the slate. The men who think they are entitled to a plum or two when the general scramble takes place at city hall after the first of January would like to know what is being done in Washington, but they never will. Murphy is not a man to talk, and as for the mayor-elect, he has his official reticence always in evidence. These are anxious times for the rank and file of Tammany.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

Waldorf-Astoria.
R. R. Quay.
W. Lyon.
Mrs. D. M. Darling.
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A Cheaper Way.

The committee on naval affairs has decided not to recommend Capt. Hobson's bill for the investment of $3,000,000,000 in new ships. The committee has figured that it would be cheaper to buy any country that might want to fight us.—Washington Post.

The Nation's Capital.

L. W. STRAYER.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The senate was treated to a good speech today when "Joe" Bailey of Texas discussed the Cuban treaty bill. Although he is the youngest member of the senate, his 44th birthday having been celebrated on October 6 of this year, he is considered the best orator among the Democrats and possibly the best of the senate. His manner is forceful and convincing, and to the earnestness of his delivery he rises in eloquence, which quality is rather rare in the senate.

It is confidently that while he was speaking today he was listened to attentively by such Republican leaders as Senator Allison, Senator Spooner and others, who do not usually honor the speakers of the minority with their ears, especially in the discussion of a measure that is to be voted upon at a specified hour and for which the Republicans have sufficient votes to pass it. But they listened to Bailey, the boy of the senate, and they did not interrupt him with an attempt to frustrate or embarrass him; for he is not the one to be easily embarrassed and his long experience in the lower house, together with his admitted knowledge of law and history, make him a debater worth listening to and one dangerous to cross swords with.

Pride of His Party.

The Democrats are proud of him as an orator and the way he was jockeyed today shows that they look upon him as their mouthpiece in debate, though not in the confining of policies.

After speaking for any hour Mr. Bailey became quite hoarse and Senator Bacon nodded up to him and offered him a trochs, which the young Texan chewed while the clerk read from the Record for him. Then he sent a page scurrying out to the restaurant for a lemon and a little later another page brought a cup of black coffee which Mr. Bailey sipped at intervals. But none of these things detracted from his speech, and those who were present listened attentively.

Bailey received a setback last year that obscured his horizon for a time and he is only now emerging from the cloud. It was brought about by his little affair with Senator Beveridge of Indiana, the next youngest member of the senate, who is just a year younger than Senator Bailey to the day. During an executive session of the senate these two men became engaged in a words encounter in which Senator Beveridge flatly contradicted a statement of Senator Bailey. The Texan, who has the hot blood of a southerner, having been born and brought up in Mississippi, resented this as an insult and made a rush at Mr. Beveridge, grasping him by the collar of his coat and making a very warlike demonstration. The men were separated before they could come to blows, but the incident caused great excitement. Although it occurred during an executive session, the news, as all news of such sessions does, soon became public and the newspapers the following day published detailed accounts of the incident. It was a supreme shock to the dignity of the senate and the senators of both parties took occasion to show their disapproval of Bailey's action.

He was ignored for the time and for more than a year he has been doing penance, such as the old experienced senators know how to inflict upon an obstreperous young member. But now the light is dawning again and if Mr. Bailey controls his temper it is probable that he will soon occupy a high place in the councils of his party.

Soldiers Want War.

There are a lot of young army officers in Washington who are hoping that the complications between this country and Colombia will result in war. They do not expect it will be much of a war, even if there is a conflict between the two forces, but at any rate it will open up the way to promotions for some of them and promotion is the sole ambition of the soldiers. The latest advices from Colombia are of a way like nature, indicating that that government is making preparations to send an army over into Panama. Whether this preliminary work is a bluff, or whether it is really meant to try by force of arms to reclaim the seceding state can only be conjectured.

Whatever the object may be, the United States is taking no chances and is putting everything in readiness to send a force down to the isthmus. The general staff has all well in hand and while no details of these arrangements will be made public, it is known that every precaution has been taken to anticipate and to meet the situation promptly. From the fact that Gen. Bell has been summoned to Washington for consultation, it is supposed to be the intention to place him in command of the United States forces if they are sent to the isthmus, and there seems to be no doubt but that Gen. Bell will prove himself equal to any emergency that may arise. His long and efficient service in the Philippines demonstrated his ability and gave him an experience that will prove very valuable to him if he is entrusted with this expedition.

It was Gen. Bell who had charge of the Macabebe scouts which did such efficient service in subduing the Filipinos and it was in this very service that he was able to win promotion from first lieutenant in 1896 to brigadier general in 1901. He knows the ins and outs of bushwacking warfare and will be able to meet the Colombian troops in any style of fighting that they may select.

Discouraging War Talk.

Gen. Reyes, the Colombian envoy is just now discouraging this warlike talk, as it does not fit in well with his plan. He has engaged ex-Attorney General Wayne MacVeigh as counsel and they are preparing a brief to be submitted to the state department.

While engaged in this work of diplomacy, Gen. Reyes is inclined to discourage all talk of an invasion of Panama by Colombia, such as he outlined when he first arrived in this country, and before he had been warned by Dr. Herran to keep "mum." But it is believed that the general does not hope to accomplish anything from his mission here unless possibly it be a reference of the case to The Hague tribunal. If he can bring this about and thus save the national honor of Colombia, he will consider himself very fortunate.

Getting Ready for Holidays.

The holiday adjournment of congress this year will extend from Saturday, December 19, to Monday, January 4. A concurrent resolution to this effect was passed by the house today, and sent to the senate. The senate received it and referred it to the committee on appropriations, which will likely report favorably within a few days and adopt it. This is one matter upon which the senate and house usually have no disagreement. Both are ready to adjourn for Christmas and to stay adjourned as long as they conscientiously can. Now that the date has been fixed, the ranks of the congressmen will begin to thin and those who have long journeys to reach their homes will be leaving during the week. In this respect the representatives have an advantage since there are no measures pending before the house while the senators will be obliged to remain until Wednesday, which is the date set for the vote upon the Cuban reciprocity bill. It is not likely that the house will attempt any important legislation until the appropriation bills are ready for its consideration, and the first of these the legislative appropriation bill, will scarcely be reported before the holiday adjournment.

River Appropriation in Doubt.

It will not be known until after January 4, whether there is to be a rivers and harbors bill this year, although the general belief prevails that a bill of some proportions will be framed. A meeting of the committee was held today, but no definite action was taken, and Chairman Burton said that he would not be able to state until after the holiday recess whether an appropriating bill would be reported by his committee. The fact, the progress of inactivity outlined by the leaders at the beginning of the extra session is being carried out with great success, and members of the house are being permitted to exercise themselves and air their views in a general discussion of the tariff, the Panama revolution and whatever other topics the Democrats think they can be made to produce campaign thunder.

Signs of Prosperity.

There is no such thing as real prosperity in this country when the general public is short of surplus money. There is no abatement of real prosperity when the general public goes on making money and saving some of it. The speculative gambler may be rolling in wealth or he may be absolutely poverty-stricken, and neither the one condition nor the other reflects the situation of the "general public" and the country. Something that does unfailingly and emphatically, is the total of the savings banks deposits—the surplus wealth of the general public.—New York Press.

The Death Roll.

The Rev. Dr. William E. Schenck.

The Rev. William Edward Schenck, A. M., D. D., for many years a prominent minister in the Presbyterian church in the United States died yesterday at the home of his son, Samuel T. Schenck, in Fourth avenue, near C street, Oakmont, in his 88th year. Funeral services will be held at his late home at 4 o'clock tomorrow evening. The remains will be taken to Princeton, N. J., for interment on Thursday.

Dr. Schenck was a son of John Conover Schenck and Mrs. Anna Brodie Shermerhorn Schenck, and was born at Pittsburgh on March 29, 1815. His ancestors came to the United States from Holland, and about 1680 settled on the western end of Long Island. In 1766 Dr. Schenck's great-great-grandfather, Garret Schenck, moved to Pleasant Valley, Monmouth county, N. J., and in 1781, in connection with his brother-in-law, John Conover, purchased 6,500 acres on the southeast side of Stony Brook, opposite Princeton, and known as Penn's Neck, of William Penn, in which vicinity the descendants of the family still reside.

Dr. Schenck received his preliminary training for college at Princeton academy and was a pupil of the Rev. Robert Baird, and later of Prof. Robert B. Patton in the Edgehill seminary at Princeton. In 1830 he entered the college, being one of the original 12 who joined the freshman class at its beginning. He also joined the Cliosophic society. During his college career his industry and resolution attracted the attention of his teachers and upon graduating he was an honor man. He immediately entered the law office of James S. Green, in Princeton, and studied law for one year. In 1836 Dr. Schenck entered Princeton Theological seminary and was graduated three years later.

His first summer was spent in missionary work in the coal regions of Schuylkill and Lehigh counties, Pa., and in November, 1839, he began to preach for the presbyterian church at Manchester and on February 28, 1842, he accepted a call to Ocean county, N. J., and was ordained and installed in his charge by the presbytery of New Brunswick. He remained in Ocean county till 1851, when he took charge of the Hanmond Street church in New York city. In 1858 he received a call to become pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Princeton, to which he had been baptized, first received into church membership and of which his father had been a ruling elder and his uncle a former pastor. During his pastorate Dr. Schenck became widely known and in 1870 he was elected superintendent of church extension for the presbytery of Philadelphia. Two years later Dr. Schenck was elected secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Publication of the general assembly, located in Philadelphia. He was also editor of the board from 1872 to 1879. He continued as secretary of the board for 30 years, until ill health forced him to retire. While secretary he helped to send out from the board over 30,000,000 pages of religious tracts and Sunday school papers. Upon his retirement he was complimented by a rising vote of the general assembly in session in Minneapolis, Minn.

During Dr. Schenck's pastorate in Princeton he was invited to become pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Lancaster, Pa., of which James Buchanan, afterward president of the United States, was a member. Mr. Buchanan offered to donate a parsonage to the church if Dr. Schenck would become its pastor. Dr. Schenck also received a call to the First Presbyterian church in Brooklyn, N. Y., being recommended by Dr. J. Addison Alexander as "the best sermonizer who had left Princeton seminary in many years." In 1859 Dr. Schenck traveled extensively in Europe and from 1860 to 1867 traveled in the west and also visited Alaska.

Dr. Schenck was twice married, first to Miss Jane Wyckoff Forrest, eldest daughter of William Forrest of New York city April 13, 1841. She died in Philadelphia in 1866. In 1867 he married Miss Mary Blake Kittle, daughter of the Rev. Andrew N. Kittle at Elizabeth, N. J. She died May 12, 1901. Dr. Schenck was the father of eight children, six of whom survive as follows: Samuel T., of Oakmont; Archibald A., of Omaha, Neb.; Mrs. Benjamin Strong, of Montclair, N. J.; Mrs. Matthew Griswold, of Erie, Pa.; Mrs. William B. Walker, of Greenwich, Conn., and Mrs. George M. Grant, of Summit, N. J. He is also survived by 18 grandchildren.

In 1859 Dr. Schenck was honored with the degree of doctor of divinity by Jefferson college, and in 1865 he was made a director of Princeton Theological seminary and until 1870 was secretary of the seminary board of directors. He was also a former secretary of the alumni association of the seminary; a member of the board of trustees of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, and a former vice president of the board. He was a former vice president of the American Colonization society and of the Pennsylvania Auxiliary Colonization society. He was permanent clerk of the general assembly (old school) from 1862 to 1870, and from 1866 to 1868 he was a member of the assembly's half of the joint reunion committee appointed to prepare the way for the reunion of the old school and the new school parts of the Presbyterian church.

He was the author of many volumes and other publications, among which are "Children in Heaven; or, the Infant Dead Redeemed by the Blood of Jesus Bearing Testimony to Hymns and Counsels for the Aged;" "Aunt Pen's Home," "A Historical Account of the First Presbyterian Church of Princeton, N. J.," "The Parting Commendation," "God Our Guide," a sermon commemorative of the Rev. Dr. Benjamin H. Hoe, a memorial sermon on the life of the Rev. Dr. Phineas D. Gurley, of Washington, D. C.; "A Discourse on Church Extension in Cities," and "The Biography of the Princeton College Class of 1838." He was also a frequent contributor to secular and religious newspapers. At the class meeting at Princeton in 1888, Dr. Schenck was unanimously elected class president.

Obituary Notes.

Mrs. John Gill, aged 57 years, of Chester, W. Va., died at Lisbon, O., Saturday evening of heart disease.

O. V. Darby, president of the Kokomo, (Ind.) Electric Street Railway Company, is dead in Chicago from Bright's disease.

Alonzo Parker, aged 75 years, is dead at Youngstown, O. He had a wife in Cleveland and son and daughter at New Castle.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gill, aged 57, wife of John Gill, died at Chester, W. Va., and will be interred at New Castle, Pa., her former home.

Mrs. James Borland, widow of the late Maj. Thomas Borland, died at her home in Franklin township, near Export, aged 70 years. Four children survive her.

Dr. Joseph H. Greer of Fort Wayne, Ind., died yesterday at San Diego, Cal., of blood poisoning, the result of stepping on a tack in a sleeping car. Dr. Greer was 68 years old.

George Walton Green, president in New York as a lawyer and writer for periodicals died at Springfield, Mass., Sunday. He was the son of Dr. Horace Green and

OAKLAND MAKES VIGOROUS KICK

Fourteenth Ward People Declare Ore Dust Has Depreciated Property Values.

WANT ASSESSMENTS REDUCED

Fourteenth ward people want large reductions in the values of their property on account of the red ore dust from Jones & Laughlin's works, and today the city assessor will receive many appeals from the section of the Fourteenth ward lying south of Forbes street. The assessors today begin to hear appeals from the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Nineteenth and Twentieth wards.

Assessor Elmer E. Siebert said yesterday that few increases had been made in the portion of the fourteenth ward south of Forbes street, but the property owners there were not satisfied, demanding a reduction because of the ore dust. Mr. Siebert said the owners of that neighborhood were justified in asking for reductions, for the effect of the ore dust in the last few years had been ruinous on their property.

While valuations in the southern portion of the ward have not been disturbed much, there has been general and substantial increase in valuations in the district north of Forbes street which is not so seriously affected by the ore dust. In this section is the Schenley farm property, which has been raised from the agricultural to the rural class. There have been large increases along Forbes street and Fifth avenue.

There will probably be many appeals from the Nineteenth and Twentieth wards, as it is in the heart of the best residence section of the East End, and the assessors state that advances have been made all along the line in the East End, but not to the extent that the property owners themselves fear. Mr. Siebert said that many property owners in these wards would be surprised to find that their valuations have not been raised as high as they anticipated.

About 50 or 60 appeals were received yesterday from the Lawrenceville wards and the Thirty-seventh ward. The appeals from these wards were finished last evening. The appeals from the Fifteenth ward were comparatively few in number, not over 12 or 15 being received altogether.

RAILROAD BRAKEMAN HAD BURGLAR'S OUTFIT

South Side Police Regard Arrest of M. J. Coleman as important.

Loaded down with a safe blowing outfit, M. J. Coleman, aged 30 years, of 2332 Sidney street, South Side, was arrested last night by Inspector Edward Kennedy and Special Officers Williams and Connors of No. 7 police station. He was locked up as a suspicious person. When searched four drills, three fuses, two caps, soap, a skeleton key, a syringe, smelling of glycerine, two jimmys and a revolver were found on him.

Coleman is a brakeman employed on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. The police had been looking for him for some time. About 10 o'clock the officers saw Coleman at Carson and South Fifteenth streets and immediately placed him under arrest. Coleman refused to discuss his reason for having the burglar outfit. A newspaper clipping telling of an unsuccessful attempt to blow the safe of the Knoxville Land Improvement Company was also found on him. This attempt was made last February. The police regard the arrest as an important one and are now looking for some friends of Coleman's.

After Coleman had been locked up for a time Inspector Kennelly learned enough to warrant him in making a search, and in the rear yard of a South Fifteenth street poolroom Coleman had been in the habit of frequenting he found hidden in an ash barrel a brace, a box of caps and a two-ounce bottle half filled with glycerin.

EX-PREACHER A BIGAMIST.

Gardner Confesses at Canton to Long List of Wrong Doing.

CANTON, O., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Charles M. Gardner, ex-Methodist preacher and insurance expert, after being sentenced to the workhouse today on the charge of bigamy, broke down and confessed to a long list of wrongdoings committed during the last years of his life.

Wife No. 1 resides in Toledo and is the daughter of well-to-do parents. Gardner came to Canton about a year ago as the agent for the Washington Insurance Company. While here he confessed he was leading a double life. Gardner had some trouble with his employers and after a short stay in Canton went to Pennsylvania. In the meanwhile, however, his lawful wife learned of his relations with Miss Mary E. Fetters. Through information furnished by Miss Fetters, the wife who had been deserted by Gardner in favor of a young woman bookkeeper in Elyria, O., began a prosecution.

Pittsburgh Deckhand Fatally Cut.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Patrick Horen of Pittsburgh, a steamboat deckhand, was found lying in an alley back of a saloon late tonight, with his throat cut from ear to ear. He said a negro had cut him.

Former Constable Sent Up.

Former Constable William Hurley of Rankin was sentenced to 30 days to the workhouse today by Justice James Purcell of Braddock for disorderly conduct.

WILLIAM WITHEROW IS HOST TO HIS COMRADES

Survivors of Company E., 123d Pennsylvania Volunteers, Meet in Reunion at Hotel Duquesne.

To his surviving comrades of '61-'65 in Company E, One Hundred and Twenty-third regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, William Witherow, proprietor of the Hotel Duquesne, gave last evening his annual dinner. The banquet was held in the private dining rooms of the Duquesne. This has been Mr. Witherow's custom for the last 11 years and from all over the country members of the company gather for the reunion.

The list of the surviving members of the company includes Capt. J. S. Bell, Bellevue; First Lieut. Robert E. Stewart, Pittsburgh; Second Lieut. H. B. Stapleton, Oil City; Sergeants S. P. Johnston and A. P. Litchfield, Pittsburgh; Charles S. Henry and Bascom B. Smith, Allegheny, and James Ramsey, Dayton, O.; Corporals James Carson, Wilmerding; David R. Miller, Conneaut, O.; Jordan McKee, Parkersburg, W. Va.; Charles Babst, Pittsburgh; Martin Ruper, Dayton, O.; Frank P. Rohne, Allegheny; Edward A. Noble, Kingsley, Kan.; Privates John H. Anderson, Princeton, Ia.; Daniel Ashworth, Pittsburgh; William Braithwait, Oakmont; Levi C. Brinton, New Castle; C. P. Biddle, Aleghery; William W. Cole, Allegheny; George W. Charles, Pittsburgh; Matthew B. Eyster, Ben Avon; John Ewing, Homestead; James Fairley, Allegheny; James Frazier, Pittsburgh; Robert Gray, Owasa, Mich.; Earl S. Gardner, Pittsburgh; John A. George, East Liverpool, O.; Robert W. Hare, Pittsburgh; Christian Hoch, Allegheny; Alexander Hughes, Pittsburgh; Francis A. Hite, Steubenville, O.; William W. McCord, Allegheny; W. W. McClelland, Pittsburgh; William Nease, Allegheny; William S. Owens, Chicago; David R. Potts, Republican City, Kan.; William Pearce, Beaver Falls; Thomas G. Robinson, Turtle Creek; William E. Ross, Monongahela; William D. Rombach, Saltsburg; James Shaw, Glenshaw; Newton Sheffer, Verona; George W. Snaman, Allegheny; George C. Stamon, Lorain, O.; Joseph M. Smith, Allegheny; Charles A. Sankey, San Francisco; William J. Sarver, Allegheny; David N. Shaw, Irwin; Joseph M. Taggart, John Taggart and Andrew Taggart, Allegheny; John H. Trimble, Allegheny; William Witherow, Pittsburgh; Jonathan J. Young, Allegheny.

ENGLAND ON THE EVE OF GREAT REVOLUTION

University Extension Lecturer Talks of Cobden and Makes References to the Present.

"A great industrial revolution is now hanging over England. The tariff agitation there is of great moment to the masses of that country, who have declared that they will not permit a tariff on necessaries of life. It remains to be seen whether Chamberlain's policy can be inaugurated." So spoke Prof. George Elliott Howard, Ph. D., in a lecture at the Carnegie Institute last evening, under the auspices of the University Extension society of Pittsburgh.

Prof. Howard's subject was "Richard Cobden and Economic Emancipation." It was the sixth and last of a series on "Leaders of Social Liberty in England." The speaker reviewed the history of the Anti-Corn Law league under the leadership of Cobden and Bright. He said: "Cobden foresaw that his country would sometime have to realize vigorous competition by the United States. The repeal of the corn laws in 1846 and the inauguration of free trade, thereby, worked the greatest industrial change up to that time. It is significant that the question in dispute during the forties is now being fought out along the lines of Cobden's prediction. He opposed tax on agricultural products, claiming preparation should be made for our competition."

Discussing the early laws, he said: "It is not generally known that common law in England opposes attempts toward association of laborers. An effort of laboring men to organize was punished and law there did not guarantee protection to trades councils until 1871. Up to that time they were conducted as secret organizations. Cobden, like Charles Sumner, was among the very first men to advocate arbitration between employer and employe."

Edward Howard Griggs, M. A., will deliver the first lecture of a series on "Moral Leaders, from Erasmus to Tolstoy," January 4. His subject will be "Erasmus." This will mark the opening of Course II., in the extension lectures.

Robber Lost His Teeth.

"To think I got pinched on a job like this," bemoaned Edward Borland of Apple avenue, when, bleeding and minus his front teeth, he was arrested yesterday afternoon by Policeman H. Crooks for attempting to rob a house in the rear of 82 Frankstown avenue. In attempting to escape he fell and was badly cut about the face and his front teeth were knocked out.

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DEATHS.

BURVINGE—On Sunday, December 13, 1903, at 11:30 p. m., CAMPBELL EDMUND, son of Campbell E. Burvinge, deceased, of Butler, Pa., and nephew of the late Hon. Samuel A. Burvinge, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Funeral from his late residence, 1905 Fifth avenue, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private later.

BOICE—Of diphtheria, on Monday, December 14, 1903, at 4:30 p. m., MARTHA LORAIN, daughter of Frederick L. and Josephine Boice, aged 7 years 4 months.

Funeral services from the residence of her parents, No. 104 Fountain avenue, Idlewild, Pa., on Wednesday morning, December 16, at 10 o'clock.

FAULK—On Saturday, December 12, 1903, at 9:50 a. m., DAVID K. FAULK, in his 63d year.

Funeral services at the family residence, 7420 Washington avenue, Swissvale, Pa., Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Interment private later.

[Titusville (Pa.) papers please copy.]

GARDNER—On Saturday, December 12, 1903, at 7:30 a. m., Mrs. HARRIET LOUISE GARDNER.

Funeral services at the residence of her son-in-law, the Rev. W. P. Schrock, Ft. Massie avenue, Tuesday, December 15, at 2 p. m. Interment private.

HASBROUCK—On Sunday, December 13, 1903, at 5:45 a. m., C. HASBROUCK, in his 84th year.

Funeral services at his late residence, Woodlawn avenue, Idlewood, on Tuesday morning at 12 o'clock. Interment private.

JENKINS—On Sunday, December 13, 1903, at 11:15 p. m., after a long illness, MARY ALICE, youngest daughter of Mary Elizabeth and Charles Jenkins, aged 19 years, 7 months and 13 days.

Funeral services at the family residence, corner Norman and Forest aves., Bellevue, Pa., this evening at 8 o'clock. (Leave cars at Thomas avenue.) Interment on Wednesday at New Castle, Pa., from the First Methodist Episcopal church at 2:30 p. m. Friends of the family are most respectfully invited to attend.

[New Castle (Pa.) papers please copy.]

KERR—On Monday, December 14, 1903, at 4:15 p. m., JAMES KERR, in the 66th year of his age.

Funeral services will be held at his late home, 5849 Center avenue, East End, on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

MENLLY—Suddenly, on Monday morning, December 14, 1903, at his residence, Franklin street and Ohio river, Allegheny, JOHN F. MENGLLY, aged 58 years, 8 months.

Notice of funeral later. Please omit flowers.

SMITH—On Sunday, December 13, 1903, at 2:30 p. m., at his home, 1016 Market street, Allegheny, CARSON SMITH, son of Thomas and Janet Smith, aged 3 years and 2 months. Funeral private, from parents' residence today at 2:30 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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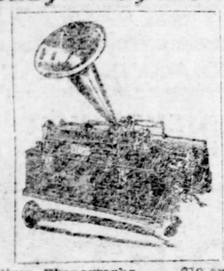

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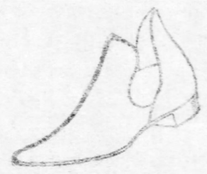

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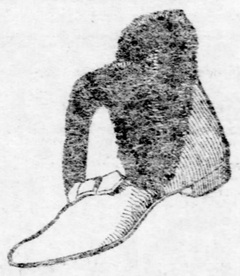

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AGED MAN DIES FROM EXPOSURE

Alexander Watson of Fair Haven Found Unconscious from Cold, and Death Results.

MANY INJURED BY FALLS

With the temperature down to 9 degrees Pittsburghers yesterday shivered more than at any time during this winter. The first touch of real cold weather in this section hit the residents hard. Fair and continued cold are predicted for this section today, but the weather man promises that the extreme cold spell will let up a little now and the day will be somewhat warmer.

The temperature was 8 degrees lower than the lowest mark touched by the mercury during this winter, and besides the day was the coldest on the date since 1885, when the mean temperature was 14, the same as yesterday. In the northwest, the section from which the cold wave came, the weather last night was warming up somewhat.

As a result of the cold weather the opportunity for coasting and skating was greatly improved, and this, with the icy condition of streets and pavements, caused one death and a large number of accidents.

Alexander Watson, aged 61, a coal miner of Fair Haven and a veteran of the civil war, died last evening at the Homeopathic hospital of exposure. Watson was found in the rear of the Home hotel in Duquesne way yesterday morning in an unconscious condition and was sent to the hospital. He is survived by a widow.

Those Injured on the Ice.

Those reported injured yesterday were: Elmer Meiery, a young son of E. C. Meiery, a coal dealer, while returning home from school, fell in front of 111 Avalon school and fractured his right hip and cut his scalp badly. John Harvey, a negro driver of Penn street, Allegheny, had both legs fractured by his wagon upsetting and falling on him in Bakewell street, Allegheny. The horse was so badly hurt it had to be shot. The wagon was wrecked. James Lowry of Nell street, West Homestead, fell on the ice in Eighth avenue, Homestead, and fractured his right ankle. Roy Quinn, aged 14, and Earl Murphy, aged 9, while coasting in Fifth street, Glassport, ran into the curbstone. Quinn sustained a bad scalp wound and was hurt about the body, while Hangan had two ribs broken and was badly bruised and cut about the face and body.

William Rodgers of Wilkinsburg was struck on the left eye by a large piece of ice thrown by a small boy, who escaped. Rodgers was standing on the platform of a box car and while passing through South Park street, east Pittsburgh, the ice struck him.

Frank Redman of Swissvale, a lineman employed by the Pittsburgh & Allegheny Telephone Company, was seriously injured by falling from a telephone pole near Munhall.

Walter Phillips, aged 5, of Second street, Braddock, was thrown from his sled while coasting and had his head cut and bruised.

Mrs. Carr Is Unlucky on the Ice.

Mrs. Robert Carr of Seventeenth avenue, Homestead, slipped on the icy pavement near her home and broke her right arm. On a previous occasion years ago Yesterday Mrs. Carr fell on an icy pavement and broke her right leg.

H. R. Vallowe, of Sixth avenue, Homestead, slipped on the ice and broke his right arm.

Policeman Morris Roach, of the Allegheny police, fell last night while walking in Bell alley. He suffered a bad scalp wound and wrenched his back. Roach left the hospital two months ago after being laid off for almost three months with a broken leg sustained by falling while on duty.

Mrs. Ludwica Madura attempted to hurry the fire at her home, 9214 Diestelhorst alley, yesterday morning by using oil, and with her husband, Peter Madura, and her two-year-old daughter, was badly burned. Madura was burned in trying to extinguish his wife's and daughter's burning clothing and received more serious results by throwing the oil can out of a window just before it exploded. Madura, his wife and daughter are at the West Penn hospital. It is not thought his wife can recover.

In the suburban districts where the country is more open it was reported by residents that the mercury went down to zero. The lowest record made during last December was 11 degrees above zero. On Christmas day the temperature was 12 above and a year ago yesterday it was 10 above.

Rivers Closed With Ice.

Ice has the Monongahela river closed above McKeesport and the Allegheny river above Horse island is frozen over. At Oakmont the river is frozen solid and yesterday people were walking across to Manchester. Chartiers creek is frozen over at Carnegie, and the young people were skating by the score. The river packet boats and towboats are all tied up along the banks.

At the department of charities and corrections the demand for food, coal and clothing yesterday was greater than ever before ordinarily, but a continuance of the cold spell is expected to bring applicants out in numbers. The department is ready to supply the needy ones, Director James W. Clark said. Mrs. Alice C. Liptrott, secretary of the Pittsburgh Association for the Improvement of the Poor, stated that the requests for assistance have become heavy. Mrs. Lippincott said agents of the association last week found children of the South Side without shoes and stockings.

The cold weather last night drove many homeless men from the streets, and the Pittsburgh and Allegheny police stations reported an unusual number of applicants for lodging. The Allegheny Central station took over 60 lodgers by midnight and the Pittsburgh Central station had 42.

The zero weather caused much suffering in Braddock and the towns in the Turtle Creek valley, and a shortage of gas added to the misery. Wash day and the unusual cold were given as the reason for the shortage. Many additional men were put to work yesterday at the blast furnaces in the Monongahela valley. The ore in the furnace yards was frozen solidly and a bigger force than usual was needed to dig the ore loose in order to furnish enough to keep the furnaces working. For the first time this winter dynamite to blast ore was used yesterday.

The Four Cohans.

The Four Cohans, in George M. Cohan's latest musical frivolity, "Running for Office," under the management of Mr. Alfred Nibloe, will be seen at the Alvin theater Xmas week.

The brilliant comedy episodes of the piece are in keeping with the customary efforts of the talented young author, who shares equally with his other members of the company. Miss Josephine Cohan astonishes old friends by her improvement upon her well known talents as an actress in the dramatic scenes, while Jerry J. and Helen Cohan score individual hits in their respective parts.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday:

John Cannon	Pittsburgh
Mary Brown	Pittsburgh
Mat. Fody	Fair Haven
Theresia Wagner	Fair Haven
Michael Mulmer	Rankin
Margarita Gross	Rankin
Thomas Heiry	Pittsburgh
Lizette Boyle	Pittsburgh
John G. Cuthbert	Pittsburgh
Viola M. Sweet	McKeesport
George J. Guest	Pittsburgh
Lina Pride	Pittsburgh
Gregg McMillan	Pittsburgh
Gertrude McMillen	Pittsburgh
Philip J. Klein	Pittsburgh
Sheila Mack	Pittsburgh
Mary R. Little	Crafton
Mabel B. Bland	Sheridan
Joseph Schwartz	Pittsburgh
Cecil Pettman	Pittsburgh
Wilson H. Bailey	Pittsburgh
Edith Rogers	Coraopolis
Robert Warfield	Bellevue
Anna M. Nelson	Bellevue
Charles H. Mitchell	Crafton
Ella A. Foster	Harmon
Charlie L. Pierson	Pittsburgh
Goldie Byrnes	Pittsburgh

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BUILDER OF A CITY

Capt. Joseph T. Jones.

Capt. T. T. Jones is well known to thousands of people in Pittsburgh, Western Pennsylvania and adjoining states. He was a leader in oil production in the Bradford field in the palmy days and interested in Butler and Washington counties later. Capt. Jones' latest achievement has been the building of a city. The city is known on the map as Gulfport, and is in Mississippi. It has a population of 5,0000 and is becoming famous as a winter resort. Capt. Jones founded it as a shipping port. He built a huge ocean pier in a fine natural harbor on this line of the Louisville & Nashville railroad and then built a railroad of his own connecting with the Queen & Crescent and the Illinois Central railroads. Then the town grew. Recently it became the county seat of Harrison county. The city is laid out with streets 80 and 120-feet wide. After building the city Capt. Jones has built at one side a tourist hotel of 250 rooms. This is a large undertaking for one man, but the oil country friends of Capt. Jones will not be surprised that he supplies the energy.

NO NOISE OR RED FIRE SAYS PENNYPACKER

Vetoes Plans of Hanover Citizens to Make Demonstration.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

HANOVER, PA., Dec. 14.—The commission to select a site for a monument to commemorate the battle of Hanover, which practically ended the battle of Gettysburg, on June 30, 1863, will meet here tomorrow. The state has appropriated $7,500 for the monument. The commission consists of Governor Pennypacker, Col. John P. Nicholson, of Philadelphia and Rev. Daniel Eberly, of Hanover.

As Gov. Pennypacker's visit is an event of unusual interest to the people of Hanover, a reception committee was appointed to make suitable arrangements. Peter H. Strubinger, the Democratic leader of Adams county, insisted that the governor be met at the station by a brass band and be given a public reception in the opera house.

In a letter to the chairman of the reception committee today, the governor says the contemplated demonstration and public meeting must not be held, as he wants no noise, red fire or wild enthusiasm for him. He desires his visit to be as informal as possible. The committee has reluctantly acquiesced.

On his way here tomorrow the governor will stop at York to view relics collected by the York county historical society. In the afternoon he will ride over the scene of the battle of Hanover. In the evening he will be tendered a reception at the Elks' home.

Reception at the Conservatory.

An informal reception and dance was given by Beveridge Webster and Miss Elizabeth Webster last night at the Pittsburgh Conservatory of Music, in Dithridge street, to the pupils and friends of the institution. Members of the faculty assisted Mr. Webster and Miss Webster in receiving. A light luncheon was served.

BATTERY B. TO OBSERVE DAY IT WAS REBORN

Entertainment and Luncheon on Saturday for the Organization and Its Helpers.

The program of the entertainment to be given on Saturday night in honor of the fifth anniversary of the reorganization of Battery B Hampton, after the Spanish war, has not been completed, but most of the attractions have been secured and it is a certain that Major Wilmot Hamilton, Lieut. Harry L. Siddon, will be toastmaster and speeches will be made by officers of the battery and George Marshall and other members of the old Hampton battery. There will be an athletic and vaudeville entertainment, the latter to be given by Frederick Page, the strumentalist and character comedian; Prof. Lariane, magician, and others. Kane & Burton's cinematograph will be shown. Comrade Lizzie Miller will sing. A supper luncheon will be served.

On Thursday night of Saturday will be taken for the election of a second lieutenant. The candidates are Dr. C. C. Williams and W. H. Kearfott, the latter the son of a Confederate officer.

The entertainment and luncheon is an invitation affair. The guests of the battery will be the cast of the "Drummer Boy of Shiloh," performed for the benefit of the battery last summer, and those who participated in the drill, 39 men at Pontiac and 27 at Homestead, will attend. Capt. Hunt, Ourdler and 50 men from Company D, Capt. Blackstone, of the same regiment; 20 men of the Duquesne Grays, 70 Pittsburgh Academy cadets and 25 members of the Hampton Battery Veterans' Association are expected that 300 persons will be present.

PERSONALS

Jacques Mieses, a German chess player of international reputation, gave an exhibition before the East End Chess club last evening, of simultaneous play when he played against 15 players. Some of the most noted players of the city participated in the contest. Mr. Mieses has been in the city several days, the guest of local chess "celebrities." He has been in New York and Brooklyn several weeks and is now on his way to Chicago and the southwest.

The Pittsburgh Credit Men's association has made arrangements to hold its annual meeting at the Colonial tonight at 6 o'clock. Several matters of importance to the association are scheduled to come up. After the meeting a banquet will be held.

A convention will be held at the Colonial hotel December 20 by the German Civil Engineers Association of Western Pennsylvania. About 200 delegates are expected to be present.

A. F. Harper and John Harmett of New York, immigrant inspectors, are in the city on business. Mr. Harper said last night that the number of immigrants arriving in the United States was much less last week than the emigrants going back to Europe.

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

The nearby residents registered at the local hotels last night were as follows:

Newton—Joseph Brown, Warren; James Pickles, Washington; T. B. Haines, Uniontown; C. C. Walker, Connellsville.

Monongahela House—S. C. Stewart, Tyrone; J. S. Bradley, Rome; W. N. Conahan, Uniontown; George Chaney, Youngstown; Thomas Henry—W. T. Rowe, Clarksburg; George B. Grey, Brookville; T. B. Westgate, Titusville; E. W. Houser, Martins Ferry; N. L. Strong, Brookville.

Seventh Avenue—A. P. Whitehall, Monongahela; R. J. Humphries, Uniontown; J. O. Bardell, Mountsville; P. M. Moore, Masontown; W. H. Brown, Edri; W. Griffith, Ebensburg.

Colonial—F. O. Bindner, West Newton; H. E. Clifford, Greensburg; N. Allison, New Castle; J. Jones, Sharon; J. Davis, Greenville; C. R. Meyers, Connellsville.

Duquesne—B. N. Jacobs, Uniontown; Newell's—D. C. Mays, Toledo; J. B. Evans, Beaver Falls; P. Robinson, Jeannette; J. P. Sherman, Lima.

Lincoln—R. G. Gerber, Punxsutawney; Anderson—W. C. Jones, New Castle.

DEATH'S HARVEST IN POLICE RANKS

The death of Lawrence Kelley, night patrolman in the Eighth avenue district, Homestead, is the fourth in a series of deaths regarded by the superintendent of police as a startling coincidence. The first man on the beat to die lately was Michael O'Hoole who died several months ago. His successor, Charles Griffith, died soon after being appointed. Kelley was then appointed and seemingly broke the spell, but becoming sick, Alexander McAllister was placed on duty instead. Several days ago McAllister was killed accidentally by a train and Kelley was again put on the route and yesterday he died from a complication of diseases.

CELEBRATED END OF THIRTY YEARS' EFFORT

Eighteenth Regiment's Officers Had Ceremonies in Connection With Start of New Drill Hall.

The digging of the first spadeful of earth for the foundation of the new drill hall of the Eighteenth regiment, National Guard of Pennsylvania, on the regiment's grounds in Oakland, was thought worthy of some formality last night, for the regiment has for 30 years been trying to own its own armory, and now Headquarters of Troop has been in the city served. Present at the ceremonies of the officers of the regiment and invited guests, and speeches were made telling the story of the organization's long struggle to own its own property by Maj. James E. McNary, chairman of the building committee, and Col. Frank L. Rutledge. A time box was then placed in the foundation. It contains a roster of the officers of the regiment, roster and records of the Duquesne Grays, and a copy of the Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph, in which was published a picture of the proposed hall. The box will be taken up and redeposited in the cornerstone of the new armory which is to be built next year, as the new drill hall is only a temporary structure. It will be of frame, 90 by 125 feet in area, and will stand back of the old Clarke mansion at Craft avenue and Forbes street, now occupied by the Eighteenth regiment. The hall will be finished in four weeks, when it will be dedicated with appropriate ceremonies.

Maj. John P. Glass of the First regiment, National Guard of West Virginia, was present last night.

Robbers' Victim Broke a Leg.

Being accosted late Sunday night in Sheraden by two men, James Coleman, who was on his way home, started to run but fell, breaking his right leg. The men then went through his pockets taking a small amount of money. Officer Semple found the injured man and removed him to his home.

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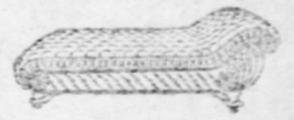

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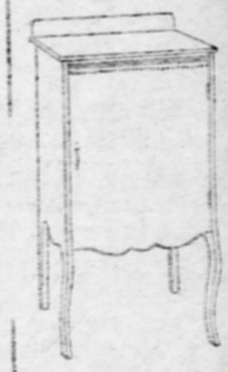

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GREAT BLAZE IN HIGH AIR

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this time that Capt. Bennett and Hoseman Hurley were burned. It is claimed by some that they caught the force of an explosion, but an eye witness states that they forced open the iron blinds and the flames caught them on the narrow ledge of the fire escape before they could get beyond reach. They were quickly pulled away and taken below to the street, where the Homeopathic hospital ambulance soon appeared to take them to the hospital.

Fresh Headway Was Gained.

At this juncture the fire began to make great headway, long tongues of flame leaping heavenward and menacing hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of property on every hand. Across Barker place were the two theaters and two hotels, as well as the Bijou office building. Adjoining to Penn avenue, was the great eight-story ware house of the Michigan Furniture Company, and the Groetzinger Carpet Company; next to them the Werner developing establishment building, while to the north in Duquesne way, was the great tobacco factory and warehouse of Weyman & Bro and the Second Presbyterian church was also within reach.

Night had now fallen and the flames began to hold high carnival, lighting up the entire neighborhood. It was then that the firemen redoubled their efforts and increased their advantage. Several of them mounted the fire escape that divides the buildings. By this means they were able to reach the extreme rear of the burning building and by directing all their energies to the broad side of the seventh floor, they soon made a stand against the flames. Other firemen mounted the roof of the Weyman & Bro.'s building and the Groetzinger Carpet Company building, and having hedged the fire in on all sides, it was not long until their combined efforts began to prove effective.

The firemen then worked on steadily for over an hour and shortly before 7 o'clock in the evening the last vestige of the fire had disappeared and they were permitted to relax from their strenuous work.

Girls Were Panic-Stricken.

The fire caused almost a panic among the girls in the packing department of Weyman & Bro. Over 40 girls are employed on the fifth floor of the big establishment. They could see the flames in the adjoining building and although there was no immediate danger, they fled from their work tables to the cloak rooms and immediately rushed pell mell down the stairway to the street.

The girls employed in the Chuddy chewing gum factory, on the sixth floor of the burning building, were, however, the worst frightened of all those threatened by the fire. The closing of emergency doors, intended to confine the fire to the floor on which it started, forced the Chuddy girls to make their exit by way of the fire escapes in Barkers alley. Cheers from the crowd greeted the safe escape of the frightened girls.

The ladies of the Saturday Afternoon club of the Second Presbyterian church were having a special meeting at the time the fire broke out. They were to have a bazar in the church this evening and there was a quantity of coffee on hand. Chairman, Mrs. H. J. Wright, immediately warmed it up for the firemen and it was distributed by the other members, including Mrs. E. S. Gray, Mrs. Snyder, Mrs. J. G. Geetman, Mrs. Ramsey, Miss Ramsey, Miss Swain, Miss Matthens and Miss Johnston.

The firemen riding on No. 5 engine had a narrow escape from being killed while on the way to the fire. This company is stationed at No. 2 police station. Center avenue, and answers second alarms in the downtown district. As the engine turned from Fulton street into Wylie avenue both bits broke in the horses mouths.

Estimates of the Losses.

An estimate of $200,000 total damage, made by one of the tenants of the building, was called extravagantly high by a representative of the Arrott insurance agency, in which some of the insurance was placed. This agent stated that the loss on the building would hardly exceed $10,000, which is fully insured. The total amount of insurance on the building is $70,000. A. L. Solomon, manager of the Michigan Furniture Company, says his company had a stock valued at about $18,000 stored on the seventh floor of the Power building. This is of course, a total loss, and is only partly insured. Walter Hague of Walter P. Hague & Son said he could not attempt to estimate his loss.

Charles H. Humbert, president of the Chuddy Manufacturing Company, says his loss will exceed $3,000, with only partial insurance. C. P. Anderson, manager of the Reliance Engraving Company, places the loss of his company at $2,000, with no insurance.

The bulk of the machinery and equipment for this company fortunately had not been taken from the freight depot. Messrs. Anderson and Humbert had narrow escapes in getting out of the building. They had to find an exit by means of the fire escape, the closing of the trap doors having cut off escape by the stairways.

Representatives of the various other companies having quarters in the building, said that it was impossible to estimate their losses until they have a chance to investigate. The only company to lose by fire was the Michigan Furniture Company. The others all sustain damage by water, to what extent they are unable to state.

AUDIENCE OF 2,000 SAW PLAY THROUGH SMOKE

"Fatal Wedding" Actors Stuck to Their Lines Though Almost Chocked.

While the echo of fire bells filled the street and the smoke from raging flames filled the atmosphere 2,000 persons attending a matinee performance at the Bijou theater sat seemingly unmindful of the panic-provoking surroundings. The auditorium was dense with smoke and on the stage the actors coughed through their lines, but the greater portion of the audience, assured that there was no immediate danger, remained until the end of the performance, anxious to see the end of the stirring plot of "The Fatal Wedding."

On the roof of the Bijou building a score of firemen were at work plying their hose lines, but the audience sat for half an hour before the proximity of the fire was known. When the smoke drifted through the doors and the people in the orchestra detected that fire was near the curtain was rung down on the second scene of the third act, and Manager Cary McAdow, carrying a lighted cigar, walked out before the footlights and, smiling at the audience, said:

"Ladies and Gentlemen—It has always been customary for our fellow-citizens of Pittsburgh to turn out en masse and give 'The Fatal Wedding' a warm reception. This is our fourth visit to Pittsburgh, and you are carrying your old custom. (Laughter.) A neighbor in the next block has started a fire for us, and those of you who have good ears can hear the gongs of the engines. The smoke, too, is coming in, but I assure you that there is no danger, and 'The Fatal Wedding' will go on just the same, I thank you."

There was no sign of alarm in the audience. Back of the curtain a different scene was enacted. The actors were fully aware of their danger. The smoke was so dense that breathing was difficult. The stage people could hear the puffing of the engines and through the windows they saw red flames leaping across the alley and attacking the Bijou's walls.

A reporter for The Gazette at this stage was invited into the green room, where Miss Eleanore Churchill, leading woman in the company, was waiting for the last act. The little apartment was blue with smoke and dainty Miss Churchill could scarcely see her image in the mirror.

"I have never played under circumstances like this," she said, "and if I survive this experience I think I shall qualify successfully for any part in melodrama."

The play went on, but was cut in the last act, when it was seen that the smoke would be too dense to allow the audience to remain.

FIRE IN A HOSPITAL.

Blaze in South Side Institution Was Fortunately Discovered in Time.

Fire in the sleeping room of the resident physicians at the South Side hospital at 2:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon caused $200 damage. The fire was first discovered by one of the nurses. Every precaution was used to prevent the knowledge of danger being learned by the patients. The fire started under the floor and was first noticed near a steam radiator inclosed in a box. Superintendent Lloyd 'phoned to No. 7 police station and from there a still alarm was sent to the fire company near by. Two engine companies were at once sent to the scene. The firemen tore up the flooring and found the fire was really more serious than at first thought. The entire floor of the room was found to be ablaze underneath, but the fire did not work its way downward, because of the fact that all ceilings in the building are fire proof.

The appearance of the fire companies at the hospital caused considerable excitement and Police Inspector Edward Kenelly, with 15 of his men, surrounded the building, fearing that friends of the patients might rush into the building in their desire to assist them. The damage is fully covered by insurance and contracts have already been let to repair the damage.

REWARD FOR FIREMEN.

Alvin Serves Coffee and Sandwiches and Will Give Tickets to Laddies.

Every fireman in the Pittsburgh department, his wife and his children, are extended a cordial invitation to attend the performance of "A Chinese Honeymoon" at the Alvin theater this week. For two hours yesterday the Alvin was threatened by blaze and only the efforts of the firemen prevented the flames from extending across the narrow alley dividing the burning building from the Alvin. Those included within this invitation have but to make their identity known at the box office to receive tickets for any evening.

During the fire S. F. Nixon, owner and manager of the Alvin, sent orders to a nearby restaurant to supply the firemen with all the hot coffee and sandwiches they could eat, and the offer was taken advantage of.

Allegheny Fire Caused $500 Loss.

A fire in the house of Isaac Gaul, occupied by Sello Monfio, an Italian, at No. 1839 Gladstone street, Allegheny, yesterday afternoon started on the second floor from a defective flue. The upper part of the building was destroyed, involving a loss of over $500, covered by insurance.

CLEVELAND AND FRIENDS GO AFTER FISH AND DUCKS

GEORGETOWN, S. C., Dec. 14.—Former President Grover Cleveland, accompanied by Commander E. C. Benedict, Capt. Gildings, Gen. A. G. McCook and Commander Hopkins, today arrived in Georgetown. The men were met by the government launch Water Lily, to which they transferred and left for the hunting preserves of Gen. E. F. Alexander at South Island. As the guests of Gen. Alexander the party will hunt duck and deer and fish for the next 10 days.

Westmoreland Teachers' Institute.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The forty-ninth annual institute of the teachers of Westmoreland county began this afternoon with a large representation. County Superintendent W. W. Tipton of Latrobe was in the chair and the exercises are in charge of Prof. A. A. Strong of Latrobe. In his talk on "Who is the Educated Man," Dr. Sanford D. Bell of the University of Colorado, created a sensation when he said that too little attention is paid to the emotional side of man. Lincoln Hulley of Bucknell university, Dr. Charles H. Albert of Perkiomen Seminary, Pennsylvania State Superintendent of Michigan H. R. Pattengill were the other instructors.

THREE VOTES FOR PRESIDENT

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Hogue, Hughes, Jack, Lamb, Lanier, David Lewis, Martin, McNally, M. R. O'Brien, Schuck, Wells, Wiley, Zeiger.—18.

Met With Reverses.

Director E. M. Bigelow, Controller John R. Larkin and Councilman W. H. Stevenson all met with reverses in common council. Director Bigelow first lost in the contest for president pro tem and his followers failed in attempting to put through a number of transfer ordinances by suspending the rules and thereby shutting off debate. Ordinances transferring sums aggregating $58,500, from other bureaus to the bureau of highways and sewers, failed to get the necessary three-fourths vote to suspend the rules and went over until the next meeting. A similar attempt to pass ordinances, transferring amounts aggregating $172,900 at the former meeting, failed and these ordinances are also held up as unfinished business. The total amount of transfers which Director Bigelow is asking for is $235,000.

Controller John R. Larkin's pet scheme of a purchasing agent, at a salary of $5,000 a year, was given a black eye, the Bigelow members voting with the Republicans and postponing action on the measure indefinitely. Stevenson moved to suspend the rules to pass the bill finally, but instead of receiving a three-fourths vote it did not even get a majority. It received only 11 votes while 28 votes were cast against it. The motion to indefinitely postpone action on it was carried by an almost unanimous vote.

Council Sustained Wasson.

M. G. Leslie made the motion to indefinitely postpone and Stevenson wanted to amend Leslie's motion. President pro tem Wasson ruled that a motion to indefinitely postpone could not be amended and Stevenson appealed from his decision. The council sustained the chair by a vote of 37 to 3—Stevenson, Baker and Berr being the only members to favor the appeal.

Stevenson met with another reverse when the ordinances providing for the sale of a number of pieces of city property came up. Leslie inquired if the property had been sold at public auction. Stevenson replied that it had not. Leslie then moved to refer the ordinances again to the finance committee with instructions to sell the properties at public auction and the motion carried.

The Republicans also succeeded in making a number of amendments to the garbage ordinances. The ordinance providing for the collection of garbage was passed on second reading after it had been amended by removing the clause which provided for the employment of "full-grown men" only as collectors also by striking out the clause which prohibited the employment of collectors who had been discharged by making the men who collect the garbage "collectors" instead of "scavengers" and by striking out the clause which compelled the contractors to continue to collect garbage for two months' of the following year if they should not obtain the contract for the following year. The ordinance providing for the letting of a contract for the reduction of the garbage was passed on second reading.

Leslie's Sharp Retort.

There was a spicy passage-at-arms during the debate on the garbage ordinance between Stevenson and Leslie. Stevenson accused the present garbage contractors with "sandbagging the city." Leslie retorted by accusing the finance committee, of which Stevenson is chairman, with "sandbagging every department of the city" by not giving them enough money this year to run the city government.

The resolution authorizing the employment of three filtration experts to pass upon the figures of Director Bigelow and to report upon the cost and size of a sand filtration plant large enough to supply the entire city was passed finally. It was the last business transacted.

Council adjourned before Director Bigelow's electric light ordinance could be reported by the public works committee. Several remarkable features were discovered in the bill yesterday. It was learned that the ordinance authorized the director of public works to spend $400,000 instead of $380,000, which was generally supposed to be the original figure. This means an additional $40,000 that the Allegheny County Light Company is to receive, as it will be the only bidder.

Another feature of the bill was the clause which gave the contract for an unlimited number of years. Councilman Stevenson intended to offer two amendments last night if the bill had been reached—one to limit the contract to one year and the other to reduce the appropriation to $350,000.

Telephone Companies as Rivals.

Two new electric light bills were introduced last night, one by the Duquesne Light Company, which is practically composed of the same persons who are promoting the new trolley system. This company asks for the right to occupy the city's streets, and also to make a contract or arrangement with another company for the joint use of its poles, wires, conduits, etc. This clause is inserted to enable the new light company to use the conduits and wires of the Pittsburgh and Allegheny Telephone Company.

The ordinance is subject to a general tax ordinance, providing the tax shall be binding upon all electric light corporations. If during any year a general ordinance taxing electric light, heat and power companies shall not be valid and enforceable, the company agrees to pay 5 per cent on its gross receipts.

The Pennsylvania Light, Heat and Power Company of Allegheny also introduced a new ordinance last night. This company offers even better inducements than the Duquesne Light Company. It agrees to pay a tax of 6 per cent of its gross receipts annually, and also subjects its franchise to the "theater tax" ordinance passed by councils recently, thus paying a double tax if the latter is enforced.

The Pennsylvania company also asks for the privilege of making an arrangement with another company for the joint use of its wires, conduits and poles. It is stated that the Pennsylvania company has arranged with the Bell Telephone Company to use the latter's conduits and wires if given a franchise in Pittsburgh.

Bell Telephone Company a Bidder.

Councils thus have two telephone companies bidding for an electric light franchise. Both bills were referred to the corporations committee. The Pennsylvania company introduced an ordinance in councils over a year ago which was passed by common council, but held up by the "rump" corporations committee of select council.

Another ordinance, in the interest of the new trolley syndicate, was introduced authorizing the director of public works to build a bridge 400 feet long and 30 feet wide over private property and the Pittsburgh Junction railroad, from a point on Byron street, Thirteenth ward, to the intersection of Laurel avenue and Pearl street, the Webster Avenue Street Railway Company to afterwards pay for the bridge providing the cost does not exceed $30,000, and to pay one-half of the cost of maintaining it.

J. F. Shaw introduced an ordinance appropriating $10,000 for a public park along Bluff street, from Glist street to Holy Ghost college, in the Sixth and Fourteenth wards. Richard McNally introduced an ordinance increasing the salary of the assistant superintendent of the bureau of electricity from $75 to $100 a month and the salary of the clerk of the bureau to $100 a month.

Washington Teachers' Institute.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The fifty-third institute of the Washington County Teachers' league began today. Prof. Edwin Linton made the address of welcome, Prof. C. M. Herron responding. Dr. J. M. Flore led in the musical exercises. Miss Ines Decusker furnished a vocal solo. Twenty-minute addresses were made by Dr. S. C. Schmucker on "Preventing Children's Cruelty;" by Dr. T. B. Noss and by the Rev. E. C. Lindo, on temperance teaching in the school. Dr. S. D. Fess spoke on "Sources of Historical Study." In the evening Dr. George Waverley Briggs spoke on the "American Girl."

RECENT DEATHS.

John Heywood Knight.

John Heywood Knight, an advertising writer, died yesterday morning of pneumonia at his home, 311 Kelly street, Wilkinsburg. He leaves a widow. The funeral will be tomorrow afternoon from his late residence. Mr. Knight was born in Plymouth, England, August 31, 1846. After receiving an ordinary education, Mr. Knight entered into commercial life, and for several years was engaged in the drygoods business. He came to America in 1869. A year or so later he entered into the jewelry business in Providence, R. I., from which he retired to connect himself with a large printing establishment in New York city. From this he drifted into the advertising business, and in this capacity was connected with eastern newspapers. He at times wrote advertisements for several of the large firms of Pittsburg.

James Kerr.

After a protracted illness of about two months, James Kerr, 68 years of age, the well-known horseman of Pittsburgh, died at his residence yesterday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock. The deceased was born in Bridgeville, Allegheny county, January 21, 1835, and for the last 35 years had been active in the horse business in and about Pittsburgh. He is a member of one of the oldest families in the county, his grandfather, James Kerr, having settled here in the early part of 1800. The deceased has been in ill health for the past two years, but not until last September was he compelled to give up his active business life. The funeral services will be held at his late residence, No. 5260 Center avenue, East End, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Colonel Ashbel Fairchild.

Col. Ashbel Fairchild, one of the most prominent citizens of Morgantown, died Sunday night of heart failure, aged 72. For 50 years he has been closely identified with the business interests of Morgantown. He was a native of Connecticut, and was a son of Rev. Dr. David G. Fairchild of Smithfield, who was the first pastor of the Morgantown Presbyterian church. Col. Fairchild was a partner of the carriage making firm of Fairchild & Lougheed, and organized and was president of the Tygarts Valley Manufacturing Company. In 1861 he was elected a member of the faculty of the West Virginia university in the mechanical department.

William L. Graham.

William L. Graham is dead at West Bridgewater of neuralgia of the heart, aged 68 years. He had been foreman of carpenters of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad for many years. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, of Columbus assembly No. 8, of Good Fellows of Rochester and of Rochester post No. 183, Grand Army of the Republic, having been a member of Company M, Third Pennsylvania heavy artillery. He is survived by his widow and five children.

Mrs. Jane Anderson.

Mrs. Jane Anderson, wife of the late Dr. William Anderson, is dead at Indiana, Pa. Mrs. Anderson was a daughter of Mills Cracken, one of the pioneer settlers of the county. One daughter, Miss Mary, survives. Capt. Alexander McCracken, who was recently appointed commander of the United States war vessel Des Moines, is his brother.

Albert Zumpft.

Albert Zumpft, 67 years old, a well-known vaccine manufacturer of Sharpsburg, died yesterday morning at his home, 218 Seventeenth street, Sharpsburg. Mr. Zumpft was a native of Germany and for the last 35 years had been a resident of Sharpsburg. He was a member of the Royal Arcanum, and is survived by his widow and one son.

AN UNGRATEFUL THIEF.

He Robbed the Man Who Had Befriended Him.

William Pressler, a telegraph operator for the Associated Press, reported to the police last night that he had been robbed of $30 and his overcoat by a man he had befriended yesterday. The stranger entered his office Sunday and asked for shelter during the night. Pressler sent him to his room 900 Arch street, Allegheny.

When Pressler went home early yesterday the stranger was still there. Pressler retired and when he got up the man was gone and his money and overcoat were missing. The thief was about 25 years old and was dressed in a light suit and wore patent leather shoes.

New Head of Wilkinsburg Council.

At the regular semi-monthly meeting of Wilkinsburg borough council last night the resignation of J. F. Miller as president was accepted, Mr. Miller having moved out of the borough. Samuel A. Steel was elected to fill the vacancy. An ordinance was passed providing for placing before the voters in February a bond issue of $50,000 for street improvements. A petition was presented from the Wilkinsburg Women's club asking that a curfew ordinance be passed.

SCARLET FEVER ORIGIN IS IN ANIMAL GROWTH

Member of Harvard Faculty to Demonstrate Discovery in Medicine.

(Special Telegram to The Gazette.)

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 14.—Tomorrow night, before the Boston Society of Medical Sciences, Dr. Frank Burr Mallory of the Harvard Medical school, will give a demonstration of the causes of scarlet fever. He has conducted an investigation along lines not before followed by scientists, and has definitely determined the organism which produces the infection of scarlet fever. The result of a year's work by Dr. Mallory shows the infection is by protozoa and he traces the development of the disease through successive stages of the animal's growth. That this disease is caused by animal and not by vegetable organism is one of the features of the discovery.

Another is the similarity of the germ to that which causes malaria. What medical men will be especially interested in is the analogous character of the protozoa, to those definitely determined as malaria organisms. They are not identical, but the protozoa suggests the "Marguerite" formation of the malary parasite. The germs in the lowest form of animal life. They differ from the bacillus in diseases like diphtheria, in that the latter is purely a vegetable growth.

As a pathologist Dr. Mallory succeeded where bacteriologists failed to discover the cause of scarlet fever. The disease has been studied closely by physicians for years, owing to its especially infectious character. Efforts to discover the real cause failed because all went on the theory that it had a vegetable origin.

THE POISE

Of a woman in perfect health attracts the eye at once. Such a woman is all too rarely seen. The most of women bear scars of suffering on their faces which no smiles can hide, and often in their very carriage betray the womanly weakness which oppresses them.

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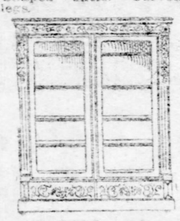
$1.25 Taboret

Golden Oak, Hexagon or square top, 16 inches high.

$2.50 Parlor Stand

Choice of Mahogany finish or golden oak. Shaped shelf. Curved legs.



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Library styles; one, two and three sections.

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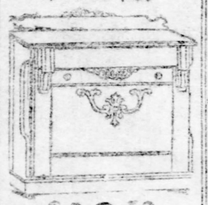
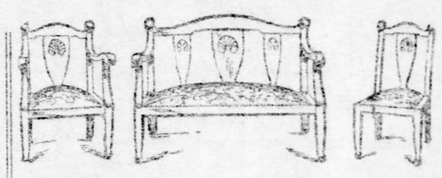


$12.50 Mantel Folding Beds

With wire bed spring complete. Room for all bedding when closed. Quartered golden oak front; also in mahogany finish.



$20 This Parlor Suit.

Not a poorly made suit—as the low price might convey. Mahogany finished frames, neat in design and well finished. Spring seats with figured damask covering. Positively worth $30.

Davenport Sofa-Beds

An Elegant Christmas Present

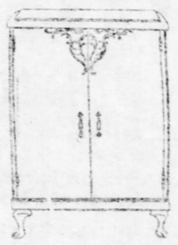
$48

A luxurious sofa and bed combined. Back lets down making one of the finest spring beds. Coverings are in handsome velour. Large Wardrobe box beneath seat for clothing or bed clothes.

Davenport Sofas $45 to $85

Without the bed attachment. Frames are in oak and mahogany. The most popular piece of furniture today for a well furnished living-room. The display here is worth while coming a long distance to see.

Music Cabinets $7 to $35

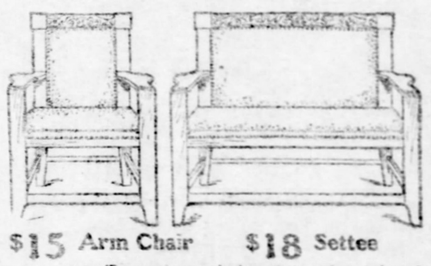


Mahogany, oak, gold and rookwood. One of the best gifts one can think of for a young lady. And our showing of

Ladies' Desks

is interesting a lot of people. Unique, pretty styles suitable for any room or any scheme of furnishing. All the popular woods and finishes.

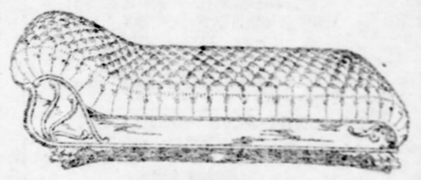
$8.50 to $45



$15 Arm Chair $18 Settee

Two unique mission pieces in weathered oak. Finest roan leather seats and backs. Edged with bronze nails. Backs are hand carved and illuminated.

Probably two hundred Chairs, Rockers and Settees here to show you in these good old-fashioned quaint designs. The price range runs from $10 to $25. Some are in suits, $33 to $75.



$15 Fabrikoid Couch

Carved golden oak frame. Fabrikoid covering—the best substitute for leather. Deep tufted top. Long steel springs. Newest construction.

$12.50 Dressing Table

Quartered Golden oak, serpentine front; bent legs. French bevel pattern mirror, as shown, or with oval mirror.

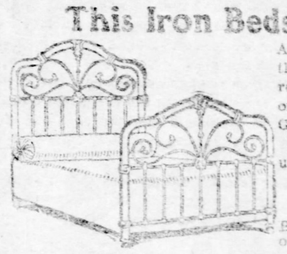
$3 Parlor Stand

Fine quartered golden oak. Shaped top, 24x24 inches. Curved legs. A regular $5 Stand.

Our Morris $10 Chair

Is winning us scores of new customers and the $14 and $15 grades are also selling fast. Backs adjust to four positions. Cushions are extra thick, deep tufted and covered alike on both sides.

This Iron Bedstead, $6.50



And it's worth just $4 more than you have to pay for—the regular price is $10.50. Choice of Blue and Olive or Gold and Green enamel. Full size.

We have also some good values to offer this week in

Bernstein Beds

The finest all brass and iron Bedsteads made. Not sold in other Pittsburgh stores.

Toilet Sets, $2.00 to $25

Wouldn't some one of your friends appreciate a nice Toilet Set for Christmas?

We have some $3.25 sets we'll sell this week for $2.00. A lot of $5.50 sets, with large slop pails, at $3.50. Some fluted sets for $5.50.

This is the best Christmas showing we've ever made and there are more bargains.

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SECRETARY ROOT DEFENDS WOOD

The General Virtually Acquitted by Head of War Department.

WILL NOT BE BROUGHT BACK

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Secretary of War Root today gave out a letter to Senator Proctor, chairman of the senate military committee, which to all intents and purposes acquits Gen. Wood in the secretary's opinion, though his case is still under consideration by a committee of the senate.

The letter was written on a complaint to him by Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, who was in Cuba with Wood as customs officer, that Gen. Bliss' testimony was given out incorrectly, and that Gen. Bliss was not instructed by Gen. Wood to admit the Jai Alai presents free of duty, but that Gen. Bliss admitted them free on his own responsibility. Secretary Root writes:

"If the evidence already given called for Gen. Wood's presence, I should, of course, bring him back from the Philippines, but I do not feel justified in withdrawing him from the important duties which he is performing on account of false reports of evidence which has never in fact been given. It surely seems fair that an officer who is now here to protect himself, but is serving his country faithfully, under orders, on the other side of the world, should have his reputation stabbed in this way.

Senator Hanna has nevertheless had the request made to the committee that Gen. Wood be summoned.

Four witnesses appeared before the committee today—Gen. Brooke, C. E. Fisher, a Havana newspaperman; J. O. Lafontisse, a newspaper reporter from Jacksonville, Fla., and L. J. Morrison, a lawyer of New York.

The main testimony related to the relations between Gen. Wood and Bellairs, formerly a correspondent at Havana. The testimony submitted by Lafontisse and Fisher was intended to prove that Bellairs had been guilty of an offense in Florida before the Spanish war and had served five years in the penitentiary, and convict camps in that state. The offense for which Bellairs is alleged to have been convicted was that of passing of a bogus check drawn upon the Bank of Nassau, a branch of the Bank of England, located in the Bahamas.

RUTH BRYAN'S HUSBAND THREATENED WITH SUIT

Breach of Promise Proceedings to Be Brought Against Leavitt.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 14.—If William Homer Leavitt returns to Newport he will be sued for breach of promise by Miss Minnie Cook, of Newport, the former home of Leavitt, who last fall married Ruth Bryan, daughter of William Jennings Bryan. Mr. Bryan not only advised his daughter not to marry Leavitt, after making a personal visit here and learning all about Leavitt, but refused to attend his daughter's wedding.

The home of the Leavitts on Pelham street has been prepared for the young couple for the past two weeks, but Leavitt learning of the condition of affairs here, just week changed his plans, so far as Newport was concerned. Miss Cook today emphatically stated that she was engaged to Leavitt and was to have married him before he went west last May, but his mother wished to have the wedding take place in the fall and the couple to occupy a part the Leavitt cottage here, and this was agreed to.

At this time Miss Cook knew nothing of the attachment of her fiance and Miss Bryan. Miss Cook has in her possession several touching letters from Leavitt, some of which were written while Leavitt was in the west visiting the Bryan family, in which he described the ride, the country and the Bryan family. The letters from the west suddenly stopped.

INQUEST POSTPONED.

Illness of Attorney Wright's Father Stops O'Donnell Hearing for a Week.

Coroner Jesse M. Mcgeary has postponed the inquest into the death of William L. O'Donnell, the barber who died in Central station on Sunday, November 29. The inquest was to have been held today and the charges against Thomas Sterck, Robert Smothers and Edward Levy, three police employes were to have been delved into. The inquest was postponed because of the serious illness of Attorney J. Roberts Wright, of Washington, Pa., where he is not expected to live. Mr. Wright is at his father's bedside and District Attorney Haymaker is busy in criminal court on a big murder case.

The men who are accused of killing O'Donnell protest their innocence and say if he was killed in Central station, some other person must have struck the blow. They also say they never refused to give water to any prisoner, when he asked for it, or indulged in the frivolity of tanning prisoners with water then throwing it over them when they came to the bars. A number of men who were confined in Central station have visited the district attorney's office and tell some harrowing stories of their treatment in prison cells in several of the police houses of this city. They say they were refused water and food and taunted. One man says he was asked whether he wanted hot or cold water and then beaten up because he answered them back.

WOMAN WADES INTO RIVER.

Waves Waters of Icy Ohio Rather Than Suffer Arrest for Trespassing.

Rather than suffer arrest Mrs. Mattie Yarch, of No. 11 Ohio street, Schoenville, waded into the icy waters of the Ohio river yesterday and refused to get out until the policemen left. The thermometer stood at 7 degrees above zero, and the woman was almost frozen.

Policemen Michael Kelly and A. C. Trustaker of the Pittsburgh, Chartiers & Youghiogheny railroad saw five women stealing coal from cars along the road and pursued them. Mrs. Yarch escaped and ran out into the river. The police did not care to go into the water and the woman came out. She was soon arrested. Justice of the Peace W. R. Nicholson of Sheplan will give her a hearing today on a charge of trespassing.

VERDICT FOR FULL AMOUNT IN BRAKE SWINDLE CASE

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A verdict for $42,182, the full amount claimed, with interest, was returned today in the suit of Elmer Sartell & Co., of Chicago, against Alfred H. Goslin, Robert A. Ammon, Eugene L. Pickard and the other promoters of the New York Electric Brake and Coupler Company. The plaintiffs bought 500 shares of the company's stock on margin for a customer who, it is alleged, was one of the swindlers, but the stock having valueless the brokers were out the money paid for the stock, less the $2,000 margin.

RHODE ISLAND WOMAN LIVED TO AGE OF 105

WAKEFIELD, R. I., Dec. 12.—Viola Babos Bazard, thought to be the oldest woman in Rhode Island, is dead here, aged 105 years. She was known as the only descendant of the sole survivor of the ship Paladine, which was wrecked at Block Island in the eighteenth century and which became celebrated as the "Phantom ship" in Whittier's poem.

Labor Organization to Raise Dues.

TOLEDO, Dec. 14.—The International Association of Allied Metal Mechanics met in delegate convention today. The convention will consider a revision of the constitution so that dues may be raised from 20 to 30 cents per month in order to provide a defense fund. The convention may also vote for a sick and death benefit.

TWO MORE DEAD FROM TYPHOID

Butler Reports Sixteen New Cases Within Two Days.

PITTSBURGH WOMEN WORKING

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BUTLER, PA., Dec. 14.—New cases of typhoid fever reported today make a total of 16 for the last two days. The new cases are Victor Liebert, Wayne street; Jerry Brandon, Oak street; Mary Vogel, Clay street; three children at the orphan's home; Ruth Kennedy, Mercer street; Viola Bowser and Frank Martin, Mill street; Clyde Young, Brady street; Mrs. Dr. Beatty, Washington street; two children of George Doerr, Miss Dembar and John H. Keppis.

A message from Buffalo last evening to John C. Graham announced the death of Mrs. C. Thorne, wife of C. F. Thorne, a prominent financier of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Thorne visited Butler early in November and Mrs. Thorne contracted the fever. John Post, aged 49 years, a farmer living four miles north of Butler, died this morning of fever. This makes 57 deaths resulting from Butler's pestilence.

A more decided improvement in the fever situation is looked for this week than at any time since the epidemic started. During the period ended December 1 1,125 cases of typhoid were treated by the physicians of Butler. The first few days of December now cases averaged 19 a day, while last week the average of new cases reported to the board of health was 10 a day. The falling off during the present week should be marked; at the worst it should not be above 10 a day, and right to be lower. Not many cases are now reaching the third week, while a considerable number of the patients are in the fourth and fifth weeks of the disease and are in a critical condition. More deaths are anticipated.

Miss Clara Barton and Dr. Hubbell and Gen. Sears, her associates in the Red Cross work, have entered into the hearty co-operation with the committee. Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Anthony and Mrs. McKee of the Pittsburgh Red Cross society were in Butler today and have tendered a new house built by J. C. Say in East Jefferson street as a hospital. It will probably be equipped and put in use by Wednesday. Miss Barton finds that money to carry on the relief work now in hand is what is most needed and will join with the executive committee in raising funds.

Today ex-Collector James M. Maxwell, who has been quarantined in his house for two weeks, his children having fever and diphtheria, was appointed a justice of the peace to succeed the late Reuben McElvain. Among the late contributions is $100 from Weaver, Costello & Co., Pittsburgh. The total now amounts to $25,000.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—A total of $482 for the relief of Butler has been raised here by Mayor John C. Jackson, who announces that sufficient funds have been received to purchase all supplies the Butler authorities have asked from him.

FRANCIS IS CERTAIN HE CAN GET MORE FUNDS

President of St. Louis Exposition Thinks Congress Will Aid If It Is Needed.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

ST LOUIS, Dec. 14.—David R. Francis, who returned to St. Louis today from Washington, expresses the opinion that if it should be necessary for the world's fair to ask congress for an additional appropriation, the request would be considered in a friendly manner. The necessity for such action, he said, however, was by no means certain.

"I was surprised at the unanimous interest and cordiality shown," said President Francis. "We have not decided that we shall ask congress for more money. The question of additional appropriation for the exposition will be taken up at a meeting of the executive committee on Tuesday.

"Materials are much higher than in 1898, yet Chicago spent $27,000,000 before its fair opened. We can scarcely be expected to do ourselves justice on $15,000,000 because we have twice as much roof space."

WILL OF MRS. SCHENLEY.

Speculation as to Provisions in the Document That Have a Bearing on Pittsburgh.

It was stated yesterday that further information had been received regarding the terms of the Schenley will, which is now on its way to America. Since the announcement that the will had been probated in England there has been much curiosity as to the probable disposition of Mrs. Schenley's property, especially as Andrew Carnegie is one of the administrators, and it is thought Mrs. Schenley may have had in mind the making of important gifts to the city. John W. Herron, agent for the Schenley holdings in this country, spoke freely of the matter yesterday afternoon, but denied that any new information has been received.

"Since the arrival of the cablegram," he said "stating that the will had been probated in England and would be sent to America at once we have received no information. When the will arrives here the legal matters will be taken up, but it is not expected before the last of this week at the soonest. At present we have no news and can, therefore, say nothing as to the probable disposition of the property."

BABY IS SLEEPING ITS LIFE AWAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Baby Slatorf, who has slept away the last 21 days of his life of 10 weeks, is still pretty well, but up in the Bronx, where its anxious parents live, people are beginning to wonder if the youngster will ever awake. Dr. Kane, who is attending the case, is not at all sure what the outcome will be, but he said today that he is not without hope. The little one, yesterday opened its pig blue eyes, blinked wonderingly at his anxious mother and then went back to sleep.

SOUTH AFRICANS WANT CHINESE AS LABORERS

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 14.—A mass meeting here tonight to urge the government in favor of a referendum before introducing legislation providing for the introduction of unskilled labor into the Transvaal, was captured by those favorable to the importation of Chinese. Five thousand cheered for the Chinese. At first meeting 4,000 persons voted for the referendum.

REMAINS OF SPENCER CREMATED AT HAMPSTEAD

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The remains of Herbert Spencer were cremated at Hampstead today, a few invited guests attending the closing rites. Leonard Courtney, M. P., made a brief address on the life and work of the dead philosopher. An Indian gentleman present offered to donate $5,000 to endow a Spencer lectureship at Oxford university.

LIPS OF THIS WITNESS ARE SEALED FOREVER

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—John H. Fisher, a grocer, 60 years old, dropped dead in court today just as he was called to testify in a prosecuting witness in a bogus check case. A large crowd was present and the case had reached a critical point when the tragic incident occurred. Physicians attribute his death to heart failure, superinduced by over-excitement.

Work of McKeesport Council.

McKeesport select council last night laid on the table the ordinance granting rights of way to the McKeesport and Clairton Connecting Railway Company. Amendments will be made to both bills. A resolution was introduced increasing the gas rates from 37 to 50, to take effect in April. The work will go on immediately on the extension of the influent pipe of the McKeesport water works.

MARTIN WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE

Ex-State Senator Declines Congressional Nomination in Philadelphia.

CLAY MAY BE CANDIDATE

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Press Building.
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 14.

David Martin will not be the Republican candidate for the congressional vacancy, caused by the death of Henry Burk, in the Third district. The ex-state senator today announced that he had declined to run. It is said he was tendered the nomination by the local leaders, and last week close friends of Martin were authority for the statement that he had promised to stand.

Senator Martin himself, is authority for the statement that he could have had the honor if he cared for it, and he supplemented this by saying that he was twice offered the nomination in the old Fifth district, refusing on both occasions. Mr. Martin, when seen tonight by The Gazette correspondent, said:

"I was offered the nomination, and after fully considering the matter, decided not to become a candidate. The statement that I would accept was unauthorized. My decision was not known to anyone until this afternoon, when I personally announced it."

Senator Martin did not care to give any further explanation. He is again giving some attention to politics, but his future plans are not public property. This afternoon the senator had a lengthy conference with Mayor John Weaver. It is possible that his talk with the mayor had some bearing upon his declination of the congressional tender.

Insurance Commissioner Durham is still at Lakewood N. J. He was expected home today but at his office it was said he would not return before the end of the week. Select Councilman Henry Clay is mentioned as a possible successor to Mr. Burk, but no decision probably will be reached before Mr. Durham gets home. CHESTER D. POTTER.

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT MINISTERS' MEETINGS

Variety of Subjects Discussed, Some Changes Among Local Pastors.

The meetings of the local ministerial associations were largely attended yesterday morning. Rev. J. H. Wishart read an interesting paper before the United Presbyterian gathering on "Present Day Angelology." He stated that modern criticism had in no way weakened the old-time ideas on this subject, but that science and philosophy still hold that there is a spirit world of which we are a part and over which God is supreme. He also stated there are two classes in the spirit world—the ideal and the evil.

At the Methodist Protestant assembly the devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. Dr. J. J. Young. The Rev. Dr. S. K. Spahr of the First Methodist church of Allegheny discussed "The Pastor in the Home."

Rev. Dr. Henry D. Linsey read a paper before the Presbyterian ministers on "Bethical Preaching; What It Ought to Be." He said that all preaching should be based on the teachings of Christ and referred to the sermon of Paul as the model in that he covers every question pertaining to the marriage relation, training of children justice, true brotherhood and all that is perplexing to the world's people.

The Rev. Henry Orcon, the evangelist, who is now conducting revival services in the Lincoln avenue district, talked on evangelical work and "Modern Methods for Modern Needs" before the Methodist Episcopal ministers and was assisted by songs rendered by Mr. Hillis, the gospel singer.

The paper of the day at the meeting of the Lutheran association was "Christian Science" by the Rev. J. R. Markward of Wilkinsburg.

The Rev. W. E. Brown of Garrett, Pa., has accepted a call to St. Matthew's Lutheran church at Crafton.

The Rev. E. D. Hoover, of Freedom, Pa., is to take charge of the Lutheran church at Pittsburgh and the Rev. F. L. Houser of Dooms, Maryland, that of St. John's Lutheran church at East McKeesport.

Christ English church, of Millvale is to be dedicated December 27th. The Rev. C. P. Wiles will conduct the morning services and the Rev. J. E. Bittle will occupy the pulpit in the evening.

Owing to the lack of time available for perfecting some of the arrangements, the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Grace Episcopal church on Mt. Washington has been postponed from Friday of this week until either the 15th or 22nd of January.

NATIONAL OFFICERS TO SETTLE THE DISPUTES

Painters Dissatisfied With Committee on Forming of New District Council.

The members of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paper Hangers held another mass meeting yesterday afternoon. The committee appointed by Vice President George Hedrick when he dissolved the district council was charged with not performing its duty. Charges and counter-charges were made until it was decided to send for Vice President Hedrick to come to Pittsburgh and settle the disputes.

About two months ago the Allegheny local withdrew from the district council, charging that the council was not giving it justice. Vice President Hedrick considered it advisable to dissolve the district council and to appoint a committee of one delegate from each local, making 19 in all, to look after the affairs of the union until another council could be formed. The committee was instructed to draw up a constitution and by-laws and submit them to the local for a referendum vote for ratification. This has been done and the locals are now voting on the laws which shall govern the new council.

Since the strike and lockout the committeemen have taken no part in the matter, claiming they were appointed to look after organizing the new council.

Cashier Pleads Guilty of Theft.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 14.—James M. Edge, the defaulting Paterson bank teller, pleaded guilty in the United States district court today and will be sentenced next Monday. Edge was recently arrested after an absence from Paterson of nearly a year. His peculations amounted to nearly $100,000.

New York Murderer Electrocuted.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—William Emils, a former Brooklyn policeman, was electrocuted at Sing Sing this morning for the murder of his wife. He first attacked his mother-in-law, then he shot his wife to death despite the pleadings of her sister to save the woman's life.

Six Sailors Drowned.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 14.—During a fierce gale last night the schooner Sailors Home was driven ashore at St. Mary's bay and the entire crew of six persons perished. The Sailors Home is now a derelict and was seen drifting about in the ocean today.

Jewish Emigration to America Grows.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 14.—Jewish emigration to America is increasing in consequence of the scarcity of work. Transport agents have opened offices at Vilna and Libau.

Public Building for Sharon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Representative Joseph C. Sibley today introduced a bill appropriating $75,000 for a public building at Sharon, Pa.

Foreign News in a Few Lines.

ST. PETERSBURG—Gov. Gen. Bobrikoff has ordered withdrawal of state aid from schools in Finland where the decree requiring the teaching of the Russian language is not observed.

SANTIAGO, CHILE—Tenders are asked for July 1 to build sewers, drains and water works at Santiago at a cost of $6,000,000.

SAN JUAN—The International sugar factory was closed. The employes going on a sympathetic strike. Several thousand men are out on the island.

COURT TIES UP PORTER'S STOCK

Spearman Gets Preliminary Injunction in Equity Suit Over Subscription.

SLAV ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

The firm of Porter & Porter was restrained from assigning, and the Reliance Life Insurance Company from transferring, any of the stock of the company held in the name of Porter & Porter, until after final hearing in the equity suit brought against the Porters by John J. Spearman, the Sharon banker, involving a $25,000 stock subscription.

The hearing was held before Judge Fraser. The insurance company made a vigorous protest against the preliminary injunction on the assumption that Porter & Porter had already assigned the stock held by them and the company would be placed at great inconvenience. A number of stockholders who had purchased from Porter & Porter were in court, and their attorneys stated they would offer no objection to the stock being tied up, pending a decision.

T. M. and W. R. Peoples tendered the representation made to Mr. Spearman was that the Farmers Deposit National bank had subscribed for $1,200,000 and Porter & Porter $800,000, making the agreement that only the stock held by Porter & Porter was for sale and the price was not to exceed $900. They said that their agent, Mr. Parker, had explained this to Mr. Spearman and his instructions had been to that effect. T. M. Porter testified that Spearman had complained to him that the bank was getting the stock for a better price than he was. Porter said he told him that the organizers were shown some preference, and that Spearman understood his stock was to cost him $900 a share.

Mr. Spearman denied flatly that he ever understood his stock was to cost him $900 a share, or anything but the regular $1000 and asked for time that he might understand $100 per share premium was to go to the Porters. He said the Porters had explained to him the stock would go to everybody for the same price.

Parker, the agent, testified he explained to Mr. Spearman that the stock would cost $900 a share. Spearman alleges he should have had the stock at $200 a share, and 42 shares are in dispute.

Albert Dabrydino, a Slav, was tried in criminal court, charged with the murder of Mary Mucynska, who had rejected him. The quarrel is said to have been over the purchase of wedding clothes.

Andrew Graver, of 150 Plus street, said he heard shots on the night of May 28, last, in his home, and ran into the room. He saw Dabrydino, who had a razor in his hand, Peter Curuinski assisting him. The murdered girl ran into the yard and died. He said the accused was in bad spirits and was detected since the dead girl refused to marry him. He heard no angry words between them.

Peter Curuinski corroborated Graver. He said Dabrydino told him "if she won't marry me, she'll not marry any one else;" also that the dead girl said she would pay back to Dabrydino the money he had spent. Attorneys N. Acheson and Robert T. Houlden represent the defendant.

IN LAMBIE'S MEMORY.

Bar Association Took Action on the Death of an Able Lawyer.

The Bar association yesterday met and took suitable action on the death of Hon. John S. Lambie. Sol Schoyer, Esq., presided, with the following vice presidents: Hon. E. H. Stowe, Hon. T. H. Collier, Hon. Marshall Brown, Hon. Robert S. Frazer, Hon. Elbert Hollers, Hon. John A. Evans, Hon. J. D. Shafer, Hon. S. A. McClung, Thomas A. Nobis, Esq., and Maj. A. M. Brown.

The committee on resolutions was: Thomas Patterson, Esq., Maj. Robert E. Stewart, A. B. Hay, Esq., John A. Wilson, Esq., Secretaries Hon. J. McAfee, Esq., W. Leslie Esq., and W. C. Anderson, Archibald Blakely, Alonzo Patterson, C. J. McKenna, Maj. Stewart, Thomas Hudd and others spoke.

Grand Jury Returns.

The grand jury yesterday returned the following true bills: Assault and battery, George Bandolini, Stewart Taylor, Frank Stadler, Steve Burdock et al; John Cavanaugh, John Adamatles, Tom Dargan; felonious assault, Ed Cunningham, Sam Stewart, Frank Frazier et al; entering a building with intent to commit a felony, John Patterson (2), Thomas Manning, Jr., John Ryds, Patrick McKenna et al; John Manning; receiving stolen goods, Richard Crane et al; false pretense, Stanley E. Palley, Alfred Holden; misdemeanor, John Adamitz, William Jones, A. J. Cohen, Walter Caldwell, Jr., Thomas Hall, Harry Brown, George H. Howell, Sam Banks, Thomas Wood, Arthur Jones; larceny by bailee, R. Jacobs.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

Marie Therese Jouret filed the will of Leon Jouret, Attorney Leon J. Long has charge of the estate.

Daniel Willert was made administrator of the estate of Jacob Willert, Attorney Reed F. Merchant has charge of the estate.

Marie N. Verner, who died at South Windsor, Conn., left an estate of $80,000 to her children. Annie R. Corcoran took out letters on the estate of Patrick Corcoran, Attorney J. Rodgers McCreery representing the estate.

Trust Officer William Hagaman of the Mercantile Trust Company took out letters of administration on the estates of Henry Othause, represented by Attorney H. A. Gilpin, and Joseph Woodyard, represented by Stone & Stone.

Dr. Albert Blumberg, killed recently by a train, left $5,000 to his father, $500 to the Gusky Hotel and $500 to Alphabet $1,000 a room in a non-sectarian hospital, $1,000 to the Columbian Council school, $500 each an Anna and Anna B. Stein, nieces, and the remainder of a $50,000 estate to his wife.

Sarah Shafer, in a will, said: "In case that anything should happen to me during my sickness I leave Fred Uhlig the polite parrot and my clothes, and $1,000 that is in the bank for his kindness to me during my sickness." In another paragraph she says: "I leave my husband $5 in case that he should try to make trouble. To my nephew, Joseph Uhlig, I leave $4,000. The bank where I have 4 thousand dollars is stored. It will be all right." Fred Uhlig is the residuary legatee.

POSTMASTERS NAMED.

Appointments by President and Promotions by the Department.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The president today sent to the senate the following nominations: Postmasters, Ohio, Andrew J. Heinlein, Bridgeport; Chandler W. Carroll, St. Clairsville; Robert C. Stewart, Toronto. West Virginia, William H. Glover, Terra Alta.

The postoffice department announced today that the following named fourth-class postoffices will be advanced to the presidential grade January 1, next:

Ohio, College Corner, Crooksville, Hubbard, Jeffersonville, Leesburg, Loveland, Morrow, New Straitsville, Pleasantville, West Union; Pennsylvania, Bolivar, Bridgeville, Clairton, Dillsburg, Elizabethville, Kelly, Manor, Mount Holly Springs, Marysville, New Holland, Reedsville, Tremont, Wampum; West Virginia, Beckley, Remova, Tunnelton.

WILL SAVE FRIEND'S LIFE.

Alleghenians Offer Skin to Heal Boy's Scalded Limb.

Several friends of Charles E. Stillwagon, a freight brakeman, have agreed to submit to the operation of skin grafting in order to save their young friend's life. Stillwagon was badly scalded on both legs in a wreck on November 2, and since that time has been in the Allegheny General hospital. One leg was amputated, and to save the other the young man's father has allowed 18 pieces of skin to be grafted from his arm.

He is willing to give more, he says, but the boy's friends have decided that if another operation is necessary they will contribute some of their cuticle.

Voting on Sheet Steel Agreement.

Secretary John Williams of the Amalgamated association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers yesterday sent out ballots to the 23 mills sheet steel lodges to vote on the proposition agreed upon at the conference between the delegates and the Independent Manufacturers association, at the convention which closed Saturday. The agreement calls for a reduction of 10 per cent, yet the permission to work 150 instead of 130 turns will offset the decrease.

Golden Jubilee Over.

The celebration of the golden jubilee of St. Brigid's church closed yesterday morning with a solemn requiem high mass for the deceased pastors and members of the congregation. Coadjutor Bishop J. F. C. Canevin celebrated the mass, and Bishop P. J. Donahue of Wheeling preached. Mgr. Falconio, the apostolic delegate, gave the absolution. Mgr. Falconio and Bishop Donahue left last night.

Commencing next Friday (not before) and continuing till Christmas, this store will be open evenings till 10 o'clock.

KAUFMANN'S

"THE BIG STORE"

Commencing next Friday (not before) and continuing till Christmas, this store will be open evenings till 10 o'clock.

The season's greatest clothing sale

We purchased from Fechheimer, Fishel & Co., 750 Broadway, N. Y. and Hornthal, Benjamin & Reim, 26 E. Fourteenth St., N. Y.

About $125,000 worth of suits and overcoats for 78,000

A sale here means much more than it does at most stores. First, because the best in sartorial art finds expression in Kaufmann clothing. Second, that best, and other grades not quite so fine may be purchased at considerable below actual value and at big saving. It is truest economy to buy clothing at "The Big Store" at ANY time—just at present, however, the advantages you gain at a sale of this sort, when prices are so much lower, are especially great. It's a temptation that can hardly be resisted. The savings here are real, emphatic, literal—not imaginary as in some clothing stores.

6.00 for suits and overcoats worth up to $12

The suits include single and three button double breasted sack coats, in fancy mixtures, cassimeres, worsteds, black thibets and blue cheviots, all sizes of overcoats, in various cloths, in addition to Oxford raincoats, the latter an exceptionally great bargain.

12.00 for suits and overcoats worth up to $20

The suits in this lot are hand tailored, single and double breasted sacks, in the season's choicest materials.

Overcoats come in all lengths, in all the popular materials. Special attention is directed to the new 52 in. fancy mixed belted backs.

18.00 for suits and overcoats worth up to $30

These are all fine custom made garments, in addition to single and double breasted sacks, there are English walking coats and Prince Albert coats.

The overcoats embrace every modish and correct style, from the medium length to the extreme long 50 in. box style.

Men's all-wool chinchilla reefers will keep you warm and snug on the coldest day

Dark blue, with ulster or velvet collar, cassimere lining; all sizes—regular $3.50 and $4 values; but as we bought them at a big price concession, down goes the price to **2.35**

House coats and lounging robes

IT is all important for you to know where the biggest stock and best assortment of house coats are to be found. If you don't know—we'll answer for you—at "The Big Store." We show fully three times as many as any other store, and every garment is such that the recipient will truly appreciate. The materials are carefully selected—they are cut in most expert manner and finished in dignified and correct style. Added to all of the above is the important factor of lowest prices.

Our 5.00 line—stands out conspicuous from all the rest for superior value-giving. One of the main features about this line is that we'll refund the money or exchange any of these garments as readily after Christmas as before. The smoking jackets or house coats come in plain blue, Oxford, brown and stone colors, made of kersey or golf cloth, with plain backs, cloth bound, silk cord. The robes include eiderdown, blanketing and imported Turkish. Last year we offered no better garments than these at $7.50. All sizes.

Men's house coats—of oxford or blue double-faced cloth, bound with cloth and silk cord, all sizes; $5 values for 2.50.

Japanese silk house jackets—very rich, light in weight, but very warm—blue, brown or black—6.50.

Imported mattelasse jackets—silk bound and corded. Venetian and silk lining—$12 values at 8.50.

Finest imported house jackets—Tuxedo or regular style, lined with finest silk, richest designs and patterns—12.50 to 20.00.

Men's bath robes—of Austrian blanket or Turkish towel—regular $4 values, 2.98.

Imported Terry cloth robes—bound with silk, also fine wool blanket robes—6.50.

Men's imported golf cloth or soft blanketing robes, silk bound or corded—at 8.50.

Imported dressing gowns—rich Persian and floral designs, all silk bound, at 13.00.

Robes de chambre—made of finest French mattelasse and blanketing, a splendid array, from 13.50 to 27.00.

Sale of Mendelson & Bros. boys' clothing stocks

THIS purchase and sale couldn't have come at a more opportune time. Thousand of parents are now considering whether or not to give the boy a new suit or overcoat for his Xmas gift—and this chance to save 20 to 40 per cent will crystallize their thoughts into action.

Boys' $4.50 and $5 clothing—including nobby blue and black 16 oz. serge, unfinished worsted and stylish mixtures in the newest styles, also "Buster Brown" style suits and overcoats and the new belted-back overcoats—sizes 2½ to 16—this sale, 3.00

Boys' all-wool suits—double-breasted and Norfolk styles, in blue and fancy cheviots; also sergesailor suits, long oxford overcoats, novelty overcoats and reefers—all sizes, 3 to 16—garments usually sold for $3 and $4, this sale, 2.00

Boys' suits—double-breasted styles, in blue, black or oxford diagonal cheviots; also blue sailor suits—real value $1.50, sale price, 95c

Boys' knee pants—made of heavy oxford, blue or black cheviots, taped seams—regular price 35c, sale price, 15c

Boys' extra fine clothing—embracing nobbiest red flannel lined oxford and blue three-quarter length overcoats, the new tourist belted coats, "Buster Brown" coats and velvet overcoats; together with all the nattiest styles of suits, sizes 2½ to 16—sale price, 5.00

Boys' fine overcoats—including the "Buster Brown," Russian and three-quarter length styles velvet collar, lined with red flannel or Italian cloth also nobby tourist coats, sizes 2½ to 16 — sale price, 3.9

Young men's clothing—oxford overcoats in nobby belted or regular styles, made full and roomy and very long—also stylish all-wool black or fancy thibet suits, sizes 14 to 20, price, sale, 3.75

$200 to $450 fur coats for 100.00

EVER hear of such an offer as this, right at the very height of the fur season? We didn't, and we've been in the fur business for over a quarter of a century. Unusually fortunate purchasing is at the bottom of this offer. We gathered the garments from several wholesale furriers, who for reasons best known to themselves, were willing to sell at a sacrifice. 75 garments in the lot, but only one or two of a kind.

Among these fur coats at 100.00 will be found plain Persian lamb, plain broadtail Persian, plain Alaska seal, plain Copper Island seal, broadtail with mink rever, Alaska seal with Hudson Bay sable rever, squirrel with Persian trimming, squirrel with ermine trimming, Alaska seal with baum marten rever, Persian lamb with ermine trimming, Persian lamb with chinchilla trimming, etc.—in the swellest 22 or 24 in. short eton and blouse effects—some with light lining, others with dark. Any alterations to insure a perfect fit will be made free of charge.

Other special offers in furs for today

Women's fur scarfs—in wolf, sable or Isabella fox, mink or electric seal; newest round, flat or pelerine shape, extra long, silk ornament or tail trimmed—at 5.00

Women's fur scarfs—in genuine bear, squirrel, Isabella, sable or Alaska fox, blue wolf, or black lynx; pelerine shape or flat effect; self or squirrel lined; tail or silk ornament trimmed—exceptional value at 10.00

Women's fur scarfs—in Hudson Bay sable or Isabella fox, made of two skins, extra long, flat shape or pelerine style, with silk girdle—worth $25, at 16.50

Muffs—in great variety, to match scarfs of every style and quality—round or flat shapes, from 2.98 to 75.00

Women's fur scarfs—of fine chinchilla, blue fox or natural eastern mink, double length, tail trimmed—real value $45.00, special price for today, 25.00

Women's fur scarfs—in genuine Hudson Bay sable or baum marten, made of 4 skins, natural color or blended, real $100 values, today we make the price 50.00

Women's genuine nearseal coats—can hardly be told from the real Alaska seal, perfect in style and workmanship—worth $35, today we make the price 22.50

Fur sets for misses and children—consisting of muff and stole or pelerine shape collar, all styles and furs, 98c to 25.00

Fur coats made up to your order of any fur you select at same prices as stock garments.

BUSTER BROWN,
THE FUNNIEST AND MOST REFINED OF COMIC PAGES, IN THE SUNDAY GAZETTE.

The Pittsburgh Gazette.
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DOINGS OF THE
COON HOLLOW BUNCH
IN NEXT SUNDAY'S GAZETTE
WILL MAKE YOU LAUGH.....

LITTLE DANGER AMONG PIRATES

President Dreyfuss Says He Is Building Up His Team, Not Tearing It Down.

HARRY SMITH'S POSITION

Notwithstanding the cries of alarm being sent up from certain quarters there is little fear of President Dreyfuss doing anything foolish in the player trading line me that official is desirous of building up his team and not tearing it down. The alleged trading of Sam Leever met with an instand denial, and the Pirates' owner says he would not give the Goshen schoolmaster for the entire Washington team.

In the case of Catcher Harry Smith, whom the same authority seems so anxious to dispose of, there is not the least danger of his being let out, for the very good reason that he holds a special contract with the Pittsburgh club, and the club owner, even if he desired to do so, could not let him out for another season at least. The Pirates' president is still in the east and will remain there for some time, but as yet he has not succeeded in making any deals for pitchers.

The story which had its origin in this city and which had the Pittsburgh and Cincinnati clubs jumping the National and linking fortunes with the American league seems to have found believers in some quarters, notwithstanding the dot-footed denial given through the columns of this paper in dispatches from New York on Tuesday last. J. Ed Grillo, who holds the confidence of Garry Herrmann of the Cincinnati club, has this to say in connection with that dream:

"All sorts of absurd stories are going the rounds in the baseball world, which, to the uninitiated, might create the belief that there is nothing in baseball but baseball. Through all these stories Garry Herrmann's name is used. One is to the effect that he and Dreyfuss have made up their minds to jump to the American league, and another is to the effect that the head of the Cincinnati club has made a proposition to Dreyfuss to buy out the entire American league. These stories are simply the result of some one's fertile brain, and have not the slightest foundation.

"Herrman and Dreyfuss have too often shown their loyalty to the National league to be accused of any trickery against the organization. If they do anything with the American league it will be with the knowledge of their associates, and not secretly, as many deals have been made in the past, not with any intention of charging the other clubs for raids which only benefit them.

"Furthermore, the time has passed when underhand business will be tolerated in baseball. While the National and American leagues are still rivals, and probably always will be, their business warfare will be carried on open and above board. At any rate that is what the press and public have been led to believe.

"If all the club owners in the league had been as honorable and fair in their dealings as have Herrmann and Dreyfuss many things would not have happened, and, in fact, there might never have been any war. The owners who insist on charging these stories are laboring under the mistaken idea that baseball is conducted these days as it was in years gone by, when any sort of a story was given credence. Base ball is the one sport in baseball who held the absolute confidence of anyone out of it."

The trade made by the New York club of Infielder Babb and Pitcher Cronin to Brooklyn for Shortstop Dahlen, and which has set the Gotham writers into fits of pennant claiming over the Flushing, does not strike the Pittsburgh follower of the game as being a deal calculated to strengthen the New York team to any alarming extent. That Dahlen has been a great ball player in his time there is not a doubt, but "Bad Bill" has been in the game for many years, and having reached the zenith of his playing ability, is now on the decline. Babb, while not a great fielder, is a very poor hitter, and has been declining in that line for the last two seasons.

Both the young shortstop, who goes to Brooklyn on the part of the deal, and the veteran fielder Dahlen and has shown the most brilliant kind of ball playing in the games they day the Giants in this city. Babb is also a fair good fielder, and, as he is young player, is sure to develop in that line under such a clever leader as Ned Hanlon. The fact that Dahlen is about to take unto himself a new home may have been due to the latter Hanlon's desire to displace him for a younger player. In New York last week "Muggsy" McGraw said that his team as at improved by batting, already three of the Giants, but he seems to have made a move in the wrong direction in the latest deal, at least that is the way local cranks regard the matter.

ANGRY BIKE RIDERS.

Not Pleased With Their Share of Receipts in the Late Six Day Race.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Dissatisfaction prevailed among the contestants in the six-day "mike" race when they assembled at the Bartholdi hotel today to receive from the managers of the race their respective prize and explain the money.

The men gathered in the hotel lobby and discussed their share of the proceeds. In addition to training expenses and the guaranteed money which was different in nearly every case, the riders received the following prize money:

Walthour and Munroe, $1,500; Leander and Rutler, $1,000; Floyd Krebs and Fred Hilker, $500; Hilker and Bowles, $500; Newkirk and Jacobson, $350; Corbett and Breton, $250; Bedell brothers, $100.

While told that dissatisfaction existed among the riders Manager Kennedy said: "Of course, it is hard to please everybody; but most of the riders in the race received more money than their contracts called for. Everybody seemed satisfied when they received their pay."

MERCURY SEVEN WINS.

Beats P. A. A. Team in Close Game By Two Goals to None.

The Mercury hockey team won from the Pittsburgh Athletic association last evening at Duquesne garden, to 2 to 0. Murphy shot both goals in the first half. Nelper made the first on a shot from the side of the rink and Harmount got the next, shooting from a lively scrimmage in front of the net. Score:

Mercury.		P. A. A.
Mustin	Goal	Nelper
Oatermaier	Point	Sweaney
Dederer	Cover Point	Ebner
Gamble	Forward	P. Hamilton
Harmont	Forward	D. Hamilton
Nesper	Right Wing	Davis
Smith	Left Wing	Elwood

TERRY STARTS TRAINING.

Will Be Ready for Willis-Walthour to Tour Europe.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Terry McGovern left for Reading, Pa., today to begin training for his six round bout with Billy Willis, the Quaker city featherweight which is to be decided before the National A. C. of Philadelphia next Saturday night.

Bobby Walthour, winner with Munroe of the six-day race, has just signed a contract to tender European cycling tour. Walthour will leave, it is understood, about March 1, and will spend three months in racing at Paris, Berlin and Vienna.

BASKETBALL NOTES.

Chanlollar is playing a strong game for the Allegheny Lyceum.

The Allegheny Lyceum basketball team will open its season at home tonight with the Pittsburgh Lyceum.

The basketball season will be opened in Lawrenceville this evening, when the Acorns line up against the Foresters in their hall at Fortieth and Butler streets.

Manager Welch of the Carnegie A. C. would like to meet Evan Lloyd and Young Alton at the basketball game between Verner and Kellips at Arcade hall, Friday night.

The Perrysville Reserves would like to hear from any 110 pound team desiring games. Address J. Miller, No. 119 Pride building, city, or call up 724-J North, between 6 and 7 o'clock.

The Columbias have been defeated but once this season, and if there are any other 110 or 15-year-old teams that think they can do the same they can have games by addressing M. McDonald, No. 80 Twelfth street, South Side.

National five would like to hear from teams away from home. The national five will play the Railroad Juniors Thursday on the latter's floor. Any junior team wanting a game with National five address P. C. Laughlin, No. 422, Penn ave., E. End station, Centre.

The Verner A. C. team will play Evans Clay on the Verner floor, Thursday night at 8 p. m. and on Friday night the Verner will play the Hope team at Carnegie. Would like to hear from Allegheny team to play for Saturday night. Address John H. Hill, No. 514 North Main, Verner.

REITER DECIDES UPON MAKE UP OF THE FIVE

Allegheny Prep. School Team Will Contain New Players. News from Colleges.

Clarence Reiter, who has been elected captain of the Allegheny Prep. school basketball team, has decided upon the candidates for the five. The men are: Francis Worcester, Herbert Tustin, Murray Fahnestock, Edward Murphy, and James Flemming. Worcester and Tustin will play either center or forward, Fahnestock and Fleming will play at forward while Reiter and Murphy will be at the guards. Reiter and Worcester are the only old players on the team, Murphy never played the game prior to this year.

No work has as yet been done on the schedule and there will be no attempts at making one until after the holiday vacation. James Somerset, who played with the leading local prep schools, which will very likely include one with East Liberty, which will mean a resumption of athletic relations between them.

Coach A. A. Stagg of the Chicago university says that Walter Eckersall, the star athlete, formerly of Hyde Park, will re-enter the university. Stagg says Eckersall has promised him to return.

Because of new buildings being erected at U. of P. the baseball candidates have no place to practice in. The committee is looking around for a suitable hall.

Dr. Albert Sharp, the former Yale athlete, now director of outdoor sport at Penn Charter school, has been offered a position at one of the big eastern universities similar to that occupied by Dr. Anderson, the associate director of the gymnasium at Yale.

Wisconsin will be represented in the eastern intercollegiate regatta at Poughkeepsie next June. Coach Rodgers, Cal., will devote himself to the development of 20 Badger oarsmen to represent Wisconsin in the races.

The Princeton Hockey club was beaten by the Hockey club of New York at New York, 2 to 1. Both sides scored in the first half.

The Harvard track team management has decided not to accept the invitation of Cornell for a dual meet next May, on the grounds that another meet would make too much conflicting in the spring. Both the dual meet with Yale and the Intercolegiate meet come in May.

KEYSTONES' NEW MAN.

Fields of Ottawa, to Join Team and Play Against Bankers Tonight at the Garden.

Rossi Fields, the new forward of the Keystone team, who comes from Ottawa with the reputation of being a fast man, has arrived in Pittsburgh and will be in tonight's game against the Bankers. He spent all day yesterday on the ice at Duquesne garden getting acquainted with the big rink. The game will be the first meeting between the former cyclers and the money lenders, and, judging from last Thursday night's game, the Bankers will give last season's champions a hard skate for the coin. The Bankers expected to have a new player in time for the game, but the man cannot get here for another week. The money lenders have not won a game yet and they are also slow for a spurt. They put in a hard hour's practice at the garden last night and played like last season's winners. The lineup for the game this evening will be:

Bankers.		Keystone.
Graham	Goal	Richardson
Thymister	Point	Melville
Ross	Cover Point	Willets
Young	Right Wing	Bright
Kent	Left Wing	Young
Tobey	Center	Taylor
Campbell	Forward	Fields

THE FOUL STRIKE RULE.

Cleveland People Blame All Their Troubles on It.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—"There is no doubt that the foul strike rule kept thousands of people from attending games last season," said Secretary Barnard of the Cleveland club, in discussing the rule today. "Last year there were lots of people who would not attend games in which two crack pitchers officiated, because there would be nothing to the contest but men walking up to the plate dumbly to walk back again after doing nothing.

"The people want to see the batters hit the ball. They want to see good work on the bases and exciting plays."

Manager Armour said that the rule was responsible for the slump in the averages of all the heavy hitters.

Bowling Games Last Night.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY LEAGUE.

Brunswicks—				Average.
Schmitt	171	186	212	189 2-3
Fair	144	127		135
Lee			135	135
Hartman	176	168	171	138 1-3
Wilson	199	171	153	174 1-3
Kannerer	189	189	179	185 2-3
Totals	878	850	870	
Hahn's Colts—				Average.
Schuler	115	142	168	141 2-3
Wager	127	127		127
Smith			110	110
Hutchins	109			109
Nix		163	157	160
Neidhardt	181	128	137	182
Hahn	183	159	179	173 2-3
Totals	781	719	745	

DRUG LEAGUE.

Alleghenys—			
Coombs	132	115	121
Snyder	187	150	130
Heckel	164	157	148
Steele	150	152	172
Totals	718	774	774
Walther-Robertson Drug Company—			
Rankin	142	142	181
Walther	119	112	109
Gausler	72	51	68
Meyer	105	84	120
Totals	519	529	572

DIOCESAN LEAGUE.

St. Anthony—			
Reaver	172	170	165
Schiereth	159	155	152
Fischer	174	144	154
John	291	133	178
Totals	802	771	801
St. Michael—			
Ringloff	181	164	165
H. Stock	172	151	161
O. Stock	160	124	124
Selbel	135		129
Paulus		187	177
Baumloff	164	154	140
Totals	810	749	779

Racing Opens at Ingleside.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.—Racing began at Ingleside today before a large crowd. Summaries:

First race, 7 furlongs, selling—Bill Massie, 106, 7 to 1, won; Lucullite, 107, Woods, 10 to 1, second; Telephone, 92, Greenfield, 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:28½.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Effervescence, 112, Richardson, 5 to 2, won; Geoffrey, 107, W. Waldo, 6 to 1, second; Caroburn, 112, J. Daly, 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:02¼.

Third race, 1 mile and 70 yards, Achilles, 98, Lewis, 10 to 1, won; Lady Wood, 98, Needham, 3 to 1, second; Cougar, 101, C. Kelly, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:48½.

Fourth race, 7 furlongs, selling—Lord Melbourne, 104, Oliphant, 5 to 2, won; Reetes, 101, Fox, 5 to 1, second; Diderot, 106, Hauch, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:29.

Fifth race, 6½ furlongs, purse—T. H. Shaw, 105, Foley, 2 to 1, won; Miss Botts, 112, J. Martin, 8 to 1, second; Padua, 110, W. Waldo, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:23.

Sixth race, 1 mile and 70 yards, selling—Roy Dure, 98, J. J. Jones, 4 to 1, won; Greenock, 105, L. Powell, 5 to 1, second; Prestidus, 96, L. Jackson, 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:46 3-5.

Easy for the Reserves.

The Allegheny Reserves defeated the Lawrence A. C. last night 32 to 9. The features were the playing of Nieman and Schmidt. Line-up:

Allegheny—32.		Lawrence—9.
Shields	Forward	Nieman
Marsulg	Forward	Simon
Schmidt	Center	Carroll
Zumpft	Guard	Brown
Whitesides	Guard	Watson

Field goals—Schmidt 4, Marsulg 2, Shields 2, Zumpft 2, Whitesides 2, Nieman 3. Foul goals—Nelman, Carroll, Schmidt 4, Shields 2, Whitesides, Zumoft.

Company A. Beats Pastime.

The Company A five defeated the Pastime team in the former's ball last night, 15 to 8. Lineup:

Pastime—8.		Company A—15.
Culbertson	C	Owens
Hughes	R. F.	Gibson
McAllister	L. F.	Clark
Buttlamp	R. G.	Butler
Hoffman	L. G.	Wing

Referee—B. P. Phillips.

Letters for Ball Players.

There are letters at this office for Frank Hollerland and Harry Tate, baseball players.

AN ANGRY CROWD THREATENS JUDGES

Bettors Make Demonstration Because Bronx Gets Decision Over Diaphanous in Finish.

QUIET IS SOON RESTORED

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.—A heavy track upset all calculations today and in each race the favorites met defeat. Safety Light was the only well supported winner. There was a demonstration after the first race. Diaphanous had been well backed and he and Bronx finished heads apart on opposite sides of the track. The decisive angle led Diaphanous' backers to believe that he had won and when Bronx was placed first, an angry crowd surged around the judges' stand. Quiet was soon restored. Summary:

First race, 5 furlongs—Bronx, 112, H. Michaels, 8 to 1, won; Diaphanous, 110, Pollack, 10 to 5, second; Duncan, 107, Gannon, 7 to 5, third. Time, 1:04 1-5.

Second race, 1 1-16 miles—DeRezke, 102, Trougel, 11 to 5, won; Mrs. Frank Foster, 91, E. Walsh, 3 to 2, second; Capt. Arnold, 98, W. Fisher, 7 to 2, third. Time, 1:52 4-5.

Third race, 1 mile—Big Boy, 112, Robbins, 13 to 5, won; Wilful, 110, W. Hicks, 3 to 5, second; Bon Mot, 109, H. Michaels, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:44 2-5.

Fourth race, 1 mile, high weight handicap—Safety Light, 98, Robbins, 4 to 1, won; Aladdin, 117, W. Hicks, 8 to 1, second; Potheen, 120, J. Thompson, 7 to 10, third. Time, 1:45 3-5.

Fifth race, 7 furlongs, selling—Avate Max, 98, W. Hennessy, 12 to 1, won; W. J. Debo, 102, Mellvitye, 8 to 1, second; Barbara Prettehi, 99½, Lindsey, 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:30 4-5.

Sixth race, mile and 8 yards—Ethior, 110, Cochran, 5 to 1, won; Little Scout, 105, Holgerstone, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:49 3-5.

MANCHESTER A WINNER.

Disposes of D. C. & A. C. in Hard Game, 18 to 10—Juniors Take Their Game.

Manchester scored its third championship victory last night at the Raleigh, defeating D. C. & A. C., 18 to 10. Manchester showed up considerably stronger on defense than usual. Every time a D. C. & A. C. man got the ball near the opposing goal, one of the home boys was on hand to keep him from scoring. The most interesting part of the game was the struggle between Eddie Campbell and Koch. Last season, in the game between Manchester and Butler on the local floor, Campbell got the best of Koch and the latter was determined to even up matters on his certain talent last night. And he was successful, as he scored six goals to Eddie's two. Lineup:

Manchester—18.		D. C. & A. C.—10.
Seibel, Hay	R. F.	Orr
Koch	L. F.	Turner
Walliser, Mosiker	C.	Hyde
Graham	R. G.	Campbell
Burry	L. G.	Fulgrum

Goals from field—Koch 6, Walliser, Campbell 2. Goals form foul—Graham 4, Campbell 4. Fouls called—In Manchester, 10; in D. C. & A. C., 8. Referee—Agnew. Scorer—H. Roth. Timer—E. Lowrie.

Following is the standing in the Allegheny County league:

	Won.	Lost.	Per.
Manchester	3	0	1.000
South Side	3	0	1.000
Pittsburgh Lyceum	0	1	.000
Allegheny Lyceum	0	1	.000
D. C. & A. C.	0	2	.000
Olympics	0	0	.000

The preliminary was played by the Manchester Juniors and the Mt. Olivers of the Allegheny County Minor league, and resulted in a victory for the home team, 34 to 23. Kramer did most of the scoring for Mt. Oliver, getting four goals from field, while O'Neil did the best for Manchester, scoring 8 from field. Lineup:

Manchester Jrs.—		Mt. Olivers—23.
Tannehill	R. F.	Rosser, Schmidt
O'Neil	L. F.	Kramer
Ring	C.	Crawford
Graham	R. G.	Smith, Haupt
Alton	L. G.	Smith, Haupt

Goals from field—O'Neil 8, Tannehill 5, Ring 2, Alton 2, Kramer 4, Rosser, Schmidt 2, Crawford 2, Haupt 2. Goals from foul—Kramer 1. Referee—L. Sethel. Scorer—F. Miller. Timer—E. Lowrie.

THE COMMISSION ACTS.

Chicago Keeps Corridon—Kissenger Must Go to the Buffalo Club.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 14.—The National Baseball commission through President Herman today handed down several decisions. In the case of Pitcher Corridon, who was purchased by the Chicago Nationals from the Providence club, but refused to report, the commission from Chicago to pay the remainder of $800 due when Corridon reported in good physical condition, he having been unable to play last season because of sickness, and Corridon is therefore held back a portion of the purchase price.

The request of Pitcher C. G. Kissinger of the Detroit club from reservation was denied. Kissinger failed to show that he had been promised freedom from reservation, although there was no reserve clause in his contract. His application for his unconditional agreement that he was not to be reserved was denied by the Detroit officials and so his reservation stands and he will be compelled to go to Buffalo, where the Detroit club has traded him.

In view of the fact that American league contracts are minus the reserve clause, the National commission has decided that if a contract carries a reserve clause, club must reserve a player, unless he can produce a written agreement that he was not to be reserved. After December 15 a new rule goes into force which says that written agreements releasing a player from reservation must be written on the contract itself and no written agreement offered by the player releasing him from reservation will be considered unless it antedates the time of the enactment of this rule, namely, December 15.

ADDITIONAL ENTRIES.

More Men Enter Amateur Tourney at McKeesport.

The following additional entries have been made by boxers for the A. A. U. tournament at McKeesport:

Charles Mack (105 pounds), Oakland A. C.; Thomas Kennedy (158), unattached; Joe Flaherty (125), Thomas Cicello (150), O. Cosgrove (115), Charles Bradburn (105), A. Campbell (126), Joe Henninger (125), Thomas McDade (115), F. A. Wolgemuth (158), Claude Lewis (115), Wilmerding A. C.; Charles Cosewell (125), West End A. C.; J. J. Wilson (105), Clyde A. C.; Frank Donnelly (125), Harry Brown (105), Clyde A. C.; Thomas Duquette A. C.; Lewis Brennen (145), N. C. V.; F. Snyder (155), Wilmerding A. C.

The wrestlers who have entered are:

Steve Gentile (105), Wilmerding A. C.; Robert Martin (125), West End A. C.; James Grover (129), Wilmerding A. C.; Frank O'Donnelly (150), Duquesne A. C.; Arthur Cupard (150), South Side A. C.

Today's Tips at New Orleans.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The American and Journal sends out at New Orleans:

Best bets—Demurrer, straight; Dan McKenna, place; Agnes Brennan, straight.

First race—Badger, Anti-Trust, Reckoner.

Second race—Lady Free Knight, Frank Bell, VanNess.

Third race—Demurrer, Little Jack Horner, Bountiful.

Fourth race—Huzzah, Dan McKenna, Charles Thompson.

Fifth race—Sisdons, Little Elkins, Trocadero.

Sixth race—Agnes Brennan, Mad Mullah, King Crozier.

Dunn Will Fight in St. Louis.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Jimmy Dunn, a well-known feather-weight of this city, left tonight for St. Louis, in response to a telegram from his manager, Chris Ward, stating that several engagements are awaiting him there. Dunn returned to this city today from Toledo, O., where he fought a ten-round draw Friday night with Johnny Whittaker, a Pittsburgh colored fighter.

Cost Money at West Virginia.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—B. F. Shaw today declined a re-election to the treasurership of the university football team to which he was elected Saturday, giving as his reason that it cost him $1,000 last year of his own money to pull the team through financially.

Death of Jennie Agnes Slane.

Miss Jennie Agnes Slane, daughter of Samuel Slane, died yesterday at noon at the family residence, in Stokes avenue, North Braddock. Her death was due to heart trouble, and she had been ill but a short time. Miss Slane was 20 years old. She is survived by her father and several brothers and sisters.

AMERICAN JOCKEY WINS AGAINST FRENCH TURF

Tod Sloan Gets a Verdict Against French Jockey Club, but Not Allowed Damages.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The court which has been hearing the arguments in the case of "Tod" Sloan, the American jockey, against the French Jockey club for $40,000 damages for being warned off the turf in connection with Rose DeMai's winning the Prix de Diane at Chantilly in May last, today found in favor of Sloan and condemned the Jockey club to pay the costs, the amount of which will be assessed later. The case involved the question of sole control of the French turf administration.

The court, while holding that Sloan's complaint was justified, pointed out that as he only got one vote against him in the club ballot he suffered serious prejudice, limited the damages to the expenses of the action.

FORNI MADE CONSUL.

Italian Representative Here Promoted and Sent to New Orleans.

G. Faru Forni, Italian vice-consul at Pittsburgh, has been promoted to the consulate at New Orleans. King Victor Emmanuel having signed the decree of transfer yesterday at Rome. Consul Saint Martin, now at New Orleans, has been called to Rome. Mr. Forni has been stationed in Pittsburgh for a year. He has had about 14 years' experience in the Italian diplomatic service, having filled posts at Constantinople, Santiago and Buenos Ayres. He lives at 4708 Bayard street, East End.

A special telegram from New Orleans to The Gazette says:

Chevalier Saint Martin, Italian consul at New Orleans for two years, has been at odds with the colony ever since his arrival. He is of aristocratic tendencies and his Rest aloof from the social gatherings of his countrymen. There are a dozen Italian societies here and they have frequent banquets and celebrations. Their complaint to the embassy at Washington, and the consul took a long vacation shortly after his return the duke of Abruzzi came here on the Cruiser, and the differences between the consul and the colony broke out again, and two weeks before the duke's departure, on account of his wife's illness, diplomatic illness and retired to a summer resort to recuperate. The duke is said to have made a thorough investigation of the matter. He mingled with his countrymen and visited at their homes.

KILLED AT A CROSSING.

Driver Was Muffled Up and Could Not Hear—Post-Mortem in Shea Case.

While driving across the tracks of the Allegheny Valley railroad at Fifty-seventh street yesterday afternoon, Joseph Burkhart, aged 29, a driver for the Atlantic Refining Company, was struck and killed by the Buffalo express and his team was cut to pieces. Owing to the cold weather he was muffled up so that he was apparently unable to hear the approach of the train.

At the post mortem examination of the body of Mrs. Hattie Shea, who died at the Passavant hospital early yesterday, it was found that death was due to cerebral cerebrum. A tumor was found on the left side of the brain seemed to have been the cause of death. William Shea, her husband, who was arrested, was committed to jail to await the finding of the coroner's jury.

The inquest into the death of the unknown baby found on the banks of the Allegheny river at Fortieth street November 21 was held yesterday and the jury returned a verdict of murder and recommended that the murderers be apprehended.

BRADDOCK ROBBERIES.

Chinaman Is Relieved of $32 and a White Man Loses $52.

Three white men entered the laundry of Yee Sing in Sixth street, Braddock, at 8 o'clock last night and relieved him of $32 in money. After hitting the Chinaman a couple of raps to keep him silent, the thieves disappeared.

A couple of hours later George Laughlin of Elderville, was passing along Eleventh street and was accosted by three men. He showed a disposition to fight. He threw off his coat and proceeded to do battle with one of the strangers. While they fought the other man made his escape with the garment. In one of the pockets was a wallet containing $52.

SINGER AVOWS INNOCENCE.

Miss Bussert Said Her Actions Had Nothing to Do With 'Cellist Merck's Act.

Miss Anna Bussert, the soprano over whom Henri Merck, 'cellist of the Pittsburgh orchestra, is said to have shot himself Saturday night, denies that she is in any way responsible for the action of the young musician. She is now with her mother in Lima, O. She was here with her mother at the Schenley hotel at the time of the shooting and left several hours afterward. Miss Bussert said that she was not expecting any trouble and did not request police protection from Merck.

The wounded man is still confined to his boarding house, 301 South Craig street. He will likely appear with the orchestra Friday night. Miss Bussert will go to Newark, N. J., next week to join the Mitchell and Hamlin forces and will probably appear in "Babes in Toyland," now playing at the Majestic theater, New York.

THUG'S PROBABLE VICTIM HAD FRACTURED SKULL

Martin Mastin of Roscoe Mills was found in an unconscious condition at Fourth avenue and Market street, at 10:30 o'clock last night, suffering from concussion of the brain. On being taken to the Central station police station Dr. McClandless advised that he be sent to the Homeopathic hospital. The police are of the opinion the man was the victim of thugs. Mastin's condition is serious.

Fear Brother Is Held for Ransom.

CANTON, O., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Melbourne brothers have received information which leads them to believe that their brother, Frank Leland, held for ransom, somewhere in the northwest. George Melbourne will leave for South Dakota tomorrow to investigate. Frank Melbourne a few years posed as a "rainmaker," conducting his experiments from a barn in this city. He has not been heard from for some time.

Mills Start at Wood Plant.

Three of the hot mills at the W. Dewees Wood sheet steel plant at McKeesport resumed operations yesterday and the rest of the mills will soon resume. The entire plant shut down last week, and it was announced that operations would not start until after January 1. The shut down is on older cause which started three of the mills.

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J. M. BELLEVILLE MADE PRESIDENT

The Traffic Club of Pittsburgh Chooses Officers for Coming Year at Annual Meeting.

ORGANIZATION PROSPEROUS

Officers of the Traffic club of Pittsburgh elected for the coming year are: President, J. M. Belleville, traffic manager, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company; first vice president, W. L. Cronmiller, division freight agent, Baltimore & Ohio railroad; second vice president, W. J. Hunter, commercial agent, Grand Trunk railroad; secretary, T. J. Walters, commercial freight agent, Baltimore & Ohio; treasurer, W. V. Taffner, general agent, Burlington route; members of board of governors, C. W. Clarke, general agent, Erie railroad; L. C. Bihler, assistant traffic manager, Carnegie Steel Company; E. C. Morgan, agent Dispatch lines; D. H. Maloney, general agent, Rock Island route.

These officers were chosen at the first annual meeting, held last evening at the Hotel Henry. The unique Pittsburgh organization unites the representatives of the freight departments of railroads at Pittsburgh and the traffic representatives of the industrial companies in this district.

The reports of the officers for the year past showed a very successful initial year. The active membership is 120, with a few honorary members. The club's finances are in excellent shape, with a good balance in the treasury and with an outlook for both business and social meetings for the coming year exceeding in interest the successful gatherings of 1902.

Amendments were considered and will be acted on finally at the February meeting, changing the annual dues and the initiation fee to $10, and providing the class of associate membership for those members who are employed by or connected with railroads or industrial concerns or have been transferred from the jurisdiction of this club.

The retiring president is C. W. Clarke, who was elected to the board of governors. His term of office is classified, the board is composed of eight members' terms expiring each year. The four members elected last year for a two-year terms are D. F. Shaul, commercial agent of the Lake Shore; C. A. Hammond, general freight agent of the Pennsylvania; O. M. Colpetzer, general agent of the Frisco system, and J. M. Belleville, who was chairman of the board. Mr. Hammon has been transferred to another post, thus creating a vacancy on the board, while Mr. Shaul as president leaves another vacancy, including the chairmanship of the board. These vacancies will be filled later by the board.

Plans are being formulated and will be worked out in the next few months for the club's quarters, including parlors of its own. At present it meets bi-monthly at clubs or hotels.

FOUR SMALLPOX DEATHS.

Rankin Woman Afflicted—Two New Cases in the City Yesterday.

Four deaths occurred from smallpox in Pittsburgh yesterday: Thomas Louis, aged 24, 122 Manion street; Thomas Foulke, aged 32, 82 Bigelow street; Mary Progodska, aged 3, 813 Twenty-seventh street, and Lawrence Fenimg, aged 3, Twenty-fifth ward. The three children named died at the Municipal hospital.

Edith Hoff, a woman of 34 years, walked into the bureau of health yesterday and told Dr. Cameron of Pitcairn that she had been in Braddock and went here to the city. She was sent to the Municipal hospital. The other cases reported yesterday were: Charles Fitzgerald, 2025 Smallman street, and Dora Gentry, 2815 Penn avenue, Soho.

The quarantine on the Central hotel of Braddock, which was placed a week ago, has been lifted. About 25 boarders and servants were held at the hotel. Charles Mercer was supposed to be suffering from smallpox, but it was found that chickenpox was his malady.

WOS Y. GIL NOT ABOARD.

Revolutionary Troops Reported to Have Lost a Battle at Santiago City.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.—The steamer San Juan arrived today from Porto Rico, but Wos y Gil, the San Domingo fugitive president, was not aboard. Frank Feuille, assistant attorney general of Porto Rico says that Wos y Gil has gone to Nagy Gorda.

SAN DOMINGO, Dec. 14.—It is reported that troops of the provisional government attacked the revolutionary troops, but were repulsed and are now besieged in a fort at Santiago City.

GOVERNMENT ENGINEERS TEST STEAM TURBINES

Experts from Naval Construction Department Watch Workings of Substitute for Engines.

Tests which are said to have been successful even beyond the expectation of all concerned have been made within the last few days at the steam turbine department of the Westinghouse Machine Company, East Pittsburgh, in the presence of several engineers from the department of construction of the United States navy. Among the engineers were Commanders Edwards and Alfred Carmyo.

These engineers were sent to Pittsburgh to investigate the practicability of the use of the steam turbine in the government naval vessels. The Westinghouse Machine company proposes to enter into an extensive manufacture of the steam turbine for marine purposes.

Neither of the gentlemen was willing to give definite information before making the report to Admiral Melville, chief of the department. It was learned from them, however, that they had been present during some tests on a 5,000-horse power turbine and that the results were very satisfactory. The consumption of steam by the turbines was said to have been beyond anything that has ever been done with the best marine engines of today.

The Westinghouse officials would make no statement as to their expectation of receiving orders to equip naval vessels with the steam turbines.

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Brilliant First Night in the Theaters

Nixon—Mrs. Carter As "Du Barry."

With all its theatric impressiveness, and it is wonderfully theatric and wonderfully impressive, "La Du Barry," the Belasco-made play which Mrs. Leslie Carter presented for the first time in Pittsburgh last evening at the Nixon, is only a glorified melodrama, after all.

A study of the brilliant but dissolute court of Louis XV. This criterion in a nutshell is not intended as a finale estimate of this gorgeous and semi-historic series of pictures from the history of France. It would be unfair to Belasco, which he thinks in the play to dismiss it with a word; it would be worse than unfair to David Belasco, who has twisted and distorted this history and created out of detached and fragmentary incidents a play of such impressive power. Louis XV. had a La Du Barry; she was a milliner. That is practically all Mr. Belasco needed. He had the rest in a wonderful skill at conjuring up stage effects—and he also had Mrs. Leslie Carter, an emotional actress, who is capable, so absolutely, of all those devices of voice, tears, whispers and gestures that she would invite even a less artistic playwright than David Belasco to make her a Du Barry.

The play begins in the milliner shop in the Rue St. Honore in Paris. It begins with the dawning of a love story between pretty Jeannette Vaubernier and Cosse Brissac, son of the captain of the King's guard. Into this scene is injected the evil influence that the author has traced to work out the growing story of La Du Barry's life, as well as her final overthrow and death. She is tempted because of her beauty to attach herself to a gambling den run by Count Jean Du Barry, one of the dissolute scions of nobility that thrived in those days. From this place she is chosen by the king, because, fascinated by her charms, he turns to her out of the satiated ills that irks him. From milliner's maid she becomes the favorite of the king, but with that melodramatic persistency of which the stage is master Belasco machine shop, he leaves her love for Cosse untouched. The king becomes jealous, Jean Du Barry, whose brother was married to her in order that she might reach the king, is afraid of the court of Louis discover her and these things work her ruin. Cosse has escaped from prison, joins the revolutionists, is pursued by the king's guard, takes refuge in Du Barry's room. Jean Du Barry discovers him there, betrays Du Barry and brings about her rupture with her royal master. An indefinite period of time is allowed to lapse between the fourth and fifth acts, with the closing scene in the life of Du Barry. Louis is dead. France is in the throes of the revolution and this unhappy creature has been caught in the meshes of that intrigue of blood. She goes to the guillotine with the yes of her lover upon her.

This story you will see is arranged for Mrs. Carter. It is not a play in either the sense of historical faithfulness or dramatic continuity of development. But Mr. Belasco has been fashioned of fancy in order to move Mrs. Carter one step higher in her personification of roles of desperate and despairing womanhood. This has been accomplished with marvelous success. The play is made a strong and exciting series of scenes because Mrs. Carter's peculiar art prevades them. In the second act, which is the climax of the play, Du Barry hides her lover, who has sought refuge in her chamber, under the bed clothes of her own couch after beating him into insensibility to keep him quiet, by raining blow after blow upon a gaping wound in his chest. The scene, the circumstances, the emotionalism, the by play of the desperate woman to conceal the knowledge of her lover's presence from her master, whom she keeps knocking at her door by a merry semblance of delay and daring, are all electrically and exciting effects that thrill and stir by their intensity and daring.

Mrs. Carter's acting of this role is in most respects the same that she gave as in "Zaza." There are moments of the same violent passion, the upward movement of the emotionalism until it breaks in a wild storm of fury or passion or falls panting breathless on the floor. In these things Du Barry is only a royal and glorified Zaza. And yet there are many evidences that Mrs. Carter has grown in her artfinality. There is a calmer, surer grasp upon some of the quieter scenes that prove that this remarkable woman is mellowing her art into more natural and readier modes of expression. The part, also, is well suited to the sumptuousness of scenery and much elegance, if not accuracy, of Louis XV. costume and furniture. In respect to its pictures Du Barry is almost the crowning effort of Belasco's career. The boudoir of Du Barry in the palace at Versailles is an especially rich and beautiful illustration of this fact.

The cast in support of Mrs. Carter is good. There is a small army of people on the program but few of them figure largely in the play. Charles Stevenson as Louis, shows no great warmth in spirit, but plays the part with some effectiveness. Campbell Gollan is a sinister and subtle Jean Du Barry, Charles A. Millware a rather tame Cosse and H. R. Roberts, a villanous, Richelieu, marshal of France. The other figures in the play only revolve brilliantly around the central points of interest—the beautiful weak and ill-fated Du Barry.

It is a play to wonder at to gasp in surprise over, to shrink from because of its sometimes almost brutal use of the Zaza idea, but it is a triumph of the art of Josefh Belasco and this Titian haired star of his making.

Alvin—"A Chinese Honeymoon."

With its wealth of beauty, its charm of oriental coloring, its picturesque costumes, its tuneful melodies and its ensemble of feminine loveliness, "A Chinese Honeymoon comes back to Pittsburgh for the third time. A surfeit of new musical comedies this season has done little toward diminishing the favor of this gem, which has stood a four years test of its popularity. A fair-sized audience at the Alvin theater last night greeted the original company and with the unctuous grace bestowed familiarity with the scenes and the music, the majority of the people allowed themselves to be carried off enraptured to the land of "Ylang Ylang," there to laugh at the funny doings of that funny emperor, Hang Chow, and his grotesque court. The clever jokes principally render them in former "Honeymoon" companies which were seen here, and the scantiness of figures detracts somewhat from the effectiveness of the stage picture, which is so essential in a setting of such lavish coloring, and the full value of some of the laughable situations is lost. But this is only a minor fault, if fault it can be called.

There is the bewitching octet of statuesque bridesmaids and a bevy of beautiful girls in all the glitter of celestial raiment. Katie Barry as the irresponsible and diminutive waitress, Fi Fi, despite her Lilliputian figure holds a place near the center of the stage and cunningly keeps in the rays of the limelight even when the fans off at the closing of the last encore for "The Twiddley Bits" or "I Wants to Be a Lidy." Miss Violet Dale in Mrs. Pineapple's solo, "The La La Girl," is measured up beside Belle Harper in the minds of Pittsburgh theatergoers, who remember the success of that feature of last year's performance, and no favor is wanting in the work of Miss Dale, who has a spirit of piquancy that is all her own. Christine Hudson as "Soo Soo," makes the best of her opportunities in the solo, "Pekoe Pete," and the same is true of the comedy efforts of Miss Mabella Baker who is cast as the ubiquitous official mother-in-law. One of the beautiful women of the company who makes a comparatively minor part conspicuous is Miss Evelyn Dumont. Geo. Broderick's mastodonic proportions and his deep resonant voice fit him well for the part of the gigantic Hang Chow. The comedy parts are chiefly in the hands of Fred W. Mann, Wm. J. Kelly, William Pruette and Benjamin Howard. Their work is clever.

Grand—"Mrs. Jack."

In this comedy, which Grace Livingstone Furniss wrote, and in which Miss Alice Fischer had a brief existence as a star, the theatergoer is given a rather passable dish of dramatic hash. There is a little of everything in the play, ranging from broad farce to 10, 20 and 30 melodrama. The play is reported to have had a prosperous run under the guidance of Miss Fischer's art, and one can readily see how the farce and pervading humor of that excellent actress might give semblance to a series of scenes and incidents that are so palpably made to order that you can almost hear the sound of the hammer and saw. And yet "Mrs. Jack" is not without merit. There is some amusing dialogue, and the part of a rich widow from the west coming to New York and attempting to finance every scheme that her generous and eccentric husband had undertaken in his lifetime has its farcical possibilities. The audiences at the Grand yesterday found much to laugh at and forgave the long stretches of forced situations and artificial humor. The stock company is given opportunities for some good individual work, because "Mrs. Jack" is full of "types." By the unfortunate exigencies of stock organization Miss Eva Taylor is assigned to the leading role, a part it is needless to say she is unfitted for, both physically and temperamentally. Miss Taylor is not a huff, happy-go-lucky, large-voiced lady with a western dialect, though she makes a successful efforts to give dash and spirit to the role. Mr. Ingersoll plays the role of a barn-storming actor looking for, and finding an angel, in Mrs. Jack, with amusing exaggeration, though some familiar intonation and manner. Charles Abbe is exceedingly good as a tough denizen of the Bowery, who runs an eye painting establishment, i. e., a boxing joint. Mrs. Louise Rial again demonstrates her ability in character work, as an Irish aunt. Miss Marion Barr is also quite happy in the part of a chippy actress, while Mr. Greenleaf, Mr. Wayne, Mr. McVey and Miss Adair all lend such support as Miss Furniss has made possible through the odd characters she has mixed up in this play. Miss Taylor, Mr. Ingersoll and Miss Le Brandt wore some handsome gowns, and the piece is well mounted.

Bijou—"The Fatal Wedding."

The proximity of a raging fire had little effect in diminishing the audience at yesterday's performances at the Bijou. "The Fatal Wedding" was the attraction and evidently it would require more than a big blaze to interfere with the attendance on a melodrama containing such popular scenes. This season's company has been strengthened by a number of good people. The leading woman, Miss Eleanore Churchill, is a Wheeling girl and has had many friends among Pittsburgh theatergoers. In "The Fatal Wedding" she is cast in the role of Mabel Wilson and invests the part with intelligence and spirit. The supporting company is strengthened by the adition of half a hundred singers from local boy choirs. A notable feature of the performance was the filled yesterday by Miss Bessie Stark, Miss Foltz suffering from a severe cold. Miss Stark is a Scotch girl from Dunfermline and her singing later in the afternoon of the old song, "Comin' Thro' the Rye," was captivating, for she sang it with the inimitable Scotch accent. Ethelbert Nevin's "Venetian Love Song" was played by Mrs. Anson J. Dill from an autograph copy which the composer had presented to her. Miss Marian Gaston sang exquisitely a group of songs including "Oh, That We Two Were Maying" and "Misapprehension" by Hope Hood. A most enjoyable feature of the afternoon was the rendition of the Mendelssohn-Liszt arrangement for the piano of the "Wedding March and Dance of the Fairies," from "The Mid-Summer Night's Dream." "Answer," by Bohn, and "The Heather Bells," by Dick, were charmingly sung by Mrs. Arthur Thacher, a recent addition to the club, and the Misses Day sang a couple of duets, a "Barcarolle," by Chaminade, and "Like the Lark," by Frau Abt. Miss Alice Stephens' songs were "Good-night, Little Girl," and "The Vow," by Bohn. Miss Mary Ure, the youngest member of the Tourist club, gave two piano solos, a "Serenade," by Liebling and a Hayden sonata. The concluding numbers were two songs by the quartet.

The program was preceded by an informal reception, when the guests were received by the officers, Miss Irene McDermott, the Misses Day and Mrs. John Cheney. The serving of tea followed the musicale. The library was prettily decorated with sprays of holly, and the lees appeared in dainty form and color.

Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae Unite.

The Pittsburgh Alumnae association of Kappa Kappa Gamma was organized at the Hotel Lincoln Saturday afternoon. Six institutions were represented in the new alumnae association: Adrian college, Allegheny college, DePauw university, University of Illinois, the University of Wisconsin and Wooster university.

The association will hold regular monthly meetings, and literary and social plans are being formed. The officers elected include: Mrs. C. E. Wilbur, president; Miss Lockhart, vice president; Miss Florence Howson, recording secretary; Mrs. Frank Ewing, treasurer, these all living in Sellevue, and Mrs. Mollyar H. Lichliter of Verona, corresponding secretary.

The Alpha Kappa Gamma has a membership of 29 active chapters and 24 alumae associations.

First Mozart Concert.

The Mozart club this evening will open its twenty-sixth season with the first performance in Pittsburgh of Berlioz "Te Deum." This is probably the most magnificent musical setting the ancient Latin hymn has ever received. The Mozart club chorus numbers 200 voices. The soloist for the concert will be E. Ellsworth Giles, tenor, who will be heard in the solo in "Te Deum" and in Gounod's stirring "Lend Me Your Aid." Mr. Giles is well known to Pittsburghers as tenor of the First Presbyterian church choir. As the choral work is rather short, the Pittsburgh orchestra will contribute the overture, "Le Carnaval Romain," by Berlioz, as the opening number of the program.

Lecture Before Alliance Francaise.

M. Andre Michel delivered his lecture on Notre Dame de Paris last evening before a large and appreciative audience at the Twentieth Century club. The subject was ably treated and greatly enjoyed by the members of the Alliance Francaise and their friends.

M. Michel arrived yesterday morning from the east and was taken care of during the day by the men of the lecture committee. At his request they made a trip to Edgar Thomson steel works, which was greatly enjoyed by the distinguished visitor.

The next and last lecture before the holidays will be on Thursday and will treat of the cathedrals of Amiens and Chartres.

Assembly in Miss Gleim's School.

The pupils of Miss Gleim's school in South Negley avenue will hold an assembly on Friday morning before adjourning for the Christmas holidays. No guests will be invited, the pupils and teachers alone being present. Miss Gleim now has about 80 young girls under her care and a most interesting time is anticipated on Friday. Christmas songs, essays and recitations have been prepared for the first part of the morning, refreshments being served later. The vacation extends from Friday until Tuesday, January 5. Miss Gleim will spend the holidays in Atlantic City.

Miss McKnight in the Club Woman.

The Club Woman for December publishes a picture of Miss Kate McKnight, the new president of the State Federation of Pennsylvania Women, together with a sketch of her club work in Western Pennsylvania. It credits her with being prominent in the organization of the Twentieth Century club, of the Business Women's club of Allegheny and the Western Pennsylvania branch of the Consumers' league, as well as being president of the Civic club of Allegheny county and of the permanent civic committee of women's clubs.

Lecture on Birds.

The Woman's club this afternoon will listen to a lecture on "The Coming and Going of the Birds," delivered by Frederick S. Webster of the Carnegie institute. The meeting will be held in the assembly room of the Central Young Women's Christian association and Mrs. W. J. Glenn will be the leader for the day. The lecture will be followed by tea, as this is the last meeting of the club this year. There will be special music.

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SOCIETY

TWO BRIDES, one of the early autumn and one of the past summer, Mrs. William Rohe Dunbar and Mrs. George W. Elgar, Jr., will share the honors of a reception which Mrs. George W. Elgar of Craig and Fillmore streets, and her daughter, Miss Margaret Biggs, will give tomorrow afternoon from 4 o'clock until 6.

Among those who have been asked to assist the hostesses are the members of the bridal party which was in attendance at the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar and a number of others, including Mrs. Winifred Jones, Miss Rebecca Jones, Mr. Rohe Dunbar, Miss Sallie Dunbar, Mr. Max Meyer, Miss Caroline Dalton, Mrs. Robert McClellan, Mrs. James Donnell, Mrs. George Howe, Mrs. Charles B. McVay, Mrs. Marshall Christy, Mrs. George Pearson, Mrs. Henry Davis Bushnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar are now at home to their friends in Darlington road. Their at home cards issued with the wedding invitations having announced days after December 1. Mrs. Dunbar was formerly Miss Elizabeth Atwood Biggs and the only bridal guest was Miss Hallock, a son before their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Biggs expect to take possession of their own home in East End avenue in a couple of months, and after becoming settled will have a large housewarming.

Dinner for Wedding Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carter of South Linden avenue gave a large dinner party last evening for the members of the bridal party, the out-of-town guests and the relatives who will be in attendance at the wedding of Miss Willa Eccleston Carter and Charles Scott Garrison, which takes place this evening. At the dinner which followed the rehearsal, covers were laid for 35, the guests including Miss Grace Bradford of Baltimore, the maid of honor; Miss Willa E. Bush, best man; Dudley Axtell Garrison, R. Robert Bush, Harry F. Carter, Dr. A. P. B. Morris, John B. White, of Mercer, and Pasco B. Carter of Prince Edward, Va. Miss Isabel Charles P. Fetterolf, Miss Fiske, Baltimore; Hugh Tilney Crawford, Waynesburg, and Miss Mary Harmon, Philadelphia. The decorations were of red roses. The bridal party occupied one large central table. Others dining at small tables were the Misses Day, Miss Gertrude Giles, tenor, who will be heard in the solo in "Te Deum" and in Gounod's stirring "Lend Me Your Aid." Mr. Giles is well known to Pittsburghers as tenor of the First Presbyterian church choir. As the choral work is rather short, the Pittsburgh orchestra will contribute the overture, "Le Carnaval Romain," by Berlioz, as the opening number of the program.

A Christmas Sale at the Church.

A Christmas sale will be held in the First United Presbyterian church, Penn and Highland avenues, tomorrow afternoon. Those in charge of the affair are Mrs. Jacob B. Rosenbergh, general chairman, and the following committees:

Refreshments—Mrs. Walter A. Keihl, Mrs. Henry S. Thayer, Mrs. Annie Fleming, Mrs. Jacobs, Miss Alice Lee and Miss Jennie Davis.

Decorations—Miss Mary Mordan, Miss Ella Clifford, Miss Mary Wheeler Watson, Miss Ruth Robinson Kelly.

Common Sense—Mrs. Richard S. Lee, Mrs. George H. Anthony, Mrs. Jean Clarke, Mrs. Fanny Wood, Mrs. F. G. Wallace, Mrs. August A. Wolf, Mrs. Edward Denson, Mrs. D. W. Kuhn, Mrs. Blackall, Miss Edna Schooley, Delia Moore, Miss Harry M. Corvin, Miss Ella Smith, Miss Jeannette Lupton and Miss Margaret McQuiston.

Fish Pond—Miss Ella Boyce.

Cohen—Hirsh.

A prominent wedding in Jewish circles last evening was that of Miss Rose Janette Cohen and Henry J. Hirsh, which took place in the Concordia club. Mrs. Marcus Rauh was matron of honor, the best man being Sidney Hirsh and the master of ceremonies, S. Cohen. The bride was handsomely gowned in white lace and carried shower bouquet. A gown of white broadcloth and lace was worn by Mrs. Rauh, who carried white roses. The wedding was a large affair, the Rev. J. Leonard Levy performing the ceremony at 7:30 o'clock in the presence of many friends. The club rooms were tastily decorated in floral pieces and ferns being effectively arranged. The supper tables on the first floor of the clubhouse were decked with white rose, the colors throughout being green and white.

Luncheon for Mrs. George Shiras.

A luncheon was given at the Arlington hotel, Washington, D. C., yesterday afternoon by Mrs. George Sharp, wife of the Pittsburgh justice of the supreme court, retired, in honor of Mrs. George Shiras III., wife of the representative from Allegheny. The guests numbered thirty-seven of the Pennsylvania delegation and their Pittsburghers. Justice and Mrs. Shiras have taken an apartment with their son in Dunleigh court, the new apartment house built by Secretary Root.

Mrs. D. C. Phillips, formerly of Pittsburgh, but now a resident of Washington, D. C., is very ill at her home in M street. She and her husband have a large circle of friends in Pittsburgh, where they resided the greater part of their lives. They went to Washington about six years ago.

Miss Humbird's Tea.

Miss Anlon Humbird gave a small and informal tea yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. She planned the affair in honor of Miss Rhoda Bache, of Long Island, who has been visiting at the Schenley, but who was unable to attend, as she and her mother, Mrs. Wallace F. Bache, were unexpectedly called home. The guests yesterday served simply, consisting of a few vases cut flowers principally chrysanthemums. Miss Humbird is one of the season's debutantes, but will not be formally introduced. An entertainment of an informal nature has been given for the girls on the holidays. The guests yesterday afternoon included the debutantes and a number of the younger girls.

The Cassidys Coming Home.

Mrs. Edward H. Cassidy and her daughter, Miss Helene Ethel Cassidy are expected at the Schenley this morning. They were passengers on the Oceanic when it came into New York last Wednesday, and for months have been spending their time in the east, completing Miss Cassidy's trousseau, the wedding dress of which was purchased in Paris. The wedding of Miss Cassidy and Warren Fairbanks will be a large affair in St. Peter's Protestant Episcopal church in January. Mrs. Cassidy and her daughter will be at the Schenley for a few days and will later go to the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Metcalf, Jr., in Wilkins and Woodlawn avenues, where the wedding reception will probably take place.

A Holiday Reception.

Mrs. William J. Gilmore and her daughter, Miss Elisabeth Gilmore, of Center avenue issued cards yesterday for a reception on the afternoon of Thursday, December 31. The honor guest is to be Miss Sarah Sherrer of Easton, Pa., who will spend the holidays with Mrs. Gilmore and her daughter. The hours for the reception will be from 3 to 6 o'clock.

Pittsburgh Travelers.

Miss Kate McKnight is spending a few weeks at Manlolon.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Cassidy returned last week from Atlantic City, where they have been for several weeks. Miss Ella Cassidy remained at the seashore.

Notes of Society.

H. F. Davis of Stratford avenue gave a dinner last evening for 20 of his business associates.

The members of the Clover Leaf club, organized with Miss Lucille Bell as president, the Young Women's Christian association, will hold a bazar in the branch rooms in Fortieth street today.

Sewickley Monday Club.

The regular meetings of the Monday clubs of Sewickley were held yesterday. The members of the Sewickley Valley Whist club met in the afternoon at the home of Mrs. Halsey Mitchell, about 15 being present. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Starr entertained the members of the Sewickleaf Bridge Whist club. The Sewickley Valley Whist club was entertained by Mrs. Joseph T. Nevin.

Mrs. Cecil Criswell Williams and full company of clever vaudeville artists this week is benefit for the Butler fever sufferers next week. "Buster Brown" will appear in recitation and song. All the Buster Browns of Pittsburgh and vicinity are invited to attend. See wally papers for further notice.

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SUBURBAN PROPERTY ON SALE

A second hotel is assured for the Wabash center, one that will be designed especially for railroad men. It will be erected by Louis Cohen and Jacob Tannenbaum on the old Mary Walton property at 26-28 Second avenue, which they bought last spring for $50,000. The site measures 40x61 feet on the south side of the avenue, near Ferry street, only two squares distant from the new Wabash station. The two old brick houses on the lot will be razed shortly and work will be started on a modern eight-story fireproof hotel, to cost about $60,000. Plans for the building have been prepared by Harry Fisher, a contractor of New York, who will superintend its erection. On the first floor will be a handsome cafe and restaurant and the parlors and offices of the hotel. The upper floors will have about 100 rooms arranged single and en suite. Such a hotel near the Wabash passenger terminal, where hundreds of commercial men and engineers will spend a few hours of every day, cannot fail to be a paying venture, as such buildings have in other large cities.

Salem Gets Carnegie Library.

Architects Alden & Harlow have plans prepared for a Carnegie library at Salem, O., to cost $20,000.

Bids are being taken by Architect James T. Steen for the banking fixtures for the First National bank of Freedom and for the plumbing in the Beliefield Club house in North Craig street. He has also let the contract to Ohmer Sons' Company of Dayton, O., for the bank fixtures for the Citizens Trust Company of Canonsburg.

Architects Rutan & Russell let the contract to W. H. Seaman for the marble of George H. Clapp at Sewickley, to cost $5,000.

Frank Alden will erect a fine residence on a lot recently purchased on the east side of Woodland road, near Beaver avenue, Sewickley, which he bought from Attorney H. A. Davis for $4,000.

Architect A. D. Link has prepared plans for extensive alterations and improvements to the store building of McLaughlin Bros. at No. 626 Wylie avenue. The changes will make room for a lunch counter, bar room and dining room, and will cost $12,000.

The Franklin Savings and Trust Company has received a permit for its bank building at Penn avenue and Twenty-ninth street. The building will be one story high and cost $10,000. Other permits were granted to: The Kaufmann department store, for temporary frame cover at the entrance to Schenley park, at a cost of $1,500; Mary A. Gartley, brick veneered dwelling in Bedford avenue, Thirteenth ward, $4,000; Stanley Manufacturing Company, storehouse in Sarah street, Twenty-ninth ward, $1,000; Charles J. Ammon, alterations to building at No. 57 Shiloh street, Thirty-second ward, $1,500.

Will Handle Valuable Property.

Kneeland, Lindsay & Co. have secured the exclusive agency of a lot of suburban property valued at $450,000. The property consists of about 20 fine houses and a large amount of vacant frontage situated in Ben Avon and Bellevue. The proposed boulevard from Highland park to Sewickley, the property and the extension of the Pittsburgh Railways line from Avalon to Ben Avon will open up a large part of the vacant frontage for desirable home sites.

The plumbers' strike was a very decided inconvenience yesterday, when for the first time the severity of the weather caused great havoc among the water pipes. Roof gardens were besieged all day with complaints from tenants whose water supply had been cut off, or worse yet, whose water pipes were leaking all over the house. It was almost impossible to get repair men, and much inconvenience and suffering will be caused if the cold spell continues for any length of time.

F. H. Hazelwood has been associated with the H. A. Shaffer Company for some time as a salesman, has opened offices at No. 437 Arrott building and will do a general real estate business, with special attention to renting and insurance.

Hazelwood: The Hazelwood Savings and Loan Company sold for W. H. Barker to Antonio Cardon No. 4090 Second avenue, a frame store, lot 22.5x146 feet, for $5,600; for William G. Evans of Chestertown, Md., to James Garland, a frame dwelling, lot 40x120 feet, on Hazelwood avenue, for $8,100; for Jacob Laine to Andrew D. Cully a vacant lot 37.5x75 feet in Johnston avenue. Easy plan, for $1,000.

Lincoln place: James W. Turner sold for John M. Poorbaugh to Edwin C. Haslet a six-room frame house, lot 28x120 feet, on the south side of Homer avenue, also a similar property on the north side of Davis avenue and another house of seven rooms, lot 85x120 feet, in Davis avenue, for $7,800; for Hattie M. Poorbaugh a six-room frame house, lot 30x120 feet, on the south side of Davis avenue for $4,700; for Phillip F. Poorbaugh a seven-room frame house and two lots 70x130 feet on the east side of Grant's avenue, a six-room house with two lots 80x115 feet on the north side of Homer avenue, and a six-room frame house, lot 25x125 feet, on the north side of Bennett street, Eighth ward, McKeesport, for $5,000.

Sandy Creek: John W. Sherrer sold to Mrs. Eliza F. Rankin 111 perches of land at Sandy Creek for $3,100.

East End Transactions.

Amber Avenue: D. M. Fair sold to Louis and Michael J. Beezer an improved lot 22x108 feet on the east side of Amber avenue, near Friendship avenue, Twentieth ward, for $8,500.

Sweetbriar street: Samuel F. Shipley sold to Leopold von Hedertman an improved lot 26.5 x125 feet in Sweetbriar street, Thirty-sixth ward, for $2,000.

Aylesboro avenue: S. H. Lloyd sold to John Bascarrone an improved lot 22.5x20 feet in Homewood avenue, near Bennett street, Twenty-first ward, for $4,000.

Fifteenth street: Mr. Willock sold to David Rodgers an improved lot 25.5x103 feet in Tilbury street, Twenty-second ward, for $1,200.

John W. Sherrer purchased from Mrs. Eliza F. Rankin 111 perches of land in Twenty-first ward, improved by two brick dwellings, for $6,500.00.

Building permits were issued yesterday to the Union Savings & Trust Company for a one-story brick bank buildings at Twenty-ninth street and Penn avenue, Twelfth ward, to cost $10,000; the United States Glass Company, one-story tank and heating establishment, to cost $1,800; to George E. Beck, two two-story frame dwellings in the Evergreen road, Nineteenth ward, to cost $2,000 each.

Transfers Recorded.

Briney Harry A to A M McMichael, Dec 10, 21st wd, Pgh, 60x183, Bennett st...$ 4,050
Mara Wm Jr to Julia A Deere, July 21, 23d wd, Pgh, 24x120, Cust st..... 1,650
Scely Sarah J to I M Nicly, Dec 10, 12th wd, Pgh, 20x80, Wylie av..... 2,800
McCargo Grant to E Thompson, Nov 14, 19th wd, Pgh, 9½x117, St Clair st..... 8,000
Gallagher Russ J to Richard Hirsch, Nov 27, 16th wd, Pgh, 20x120, Margaretta st..... 7,140
Wiestling E R to Chas McConnell, Dec 1, 20th wd, Pgh, 60x120, Aurilla st..... 5,500
Crislip Neville B to Rebecca C Diller, Nov 6, 1st wd, Allegheny, 20x47, Ohio st..... 19,000
Stitt M C to Bertha M Hax, Dec 5, 2d wd, Allegheny, 18x80, Taggart st..... 5,000
Mark Wm M to M J Gray, Nov 27, 20th wd, Pgh, 50x120, Graham st..... 17,500
Cherry Wm A to Mary Bistlin, Nov 5, 9th wd, McKeesport, 50x100, Grandview ave.....
Wood Geo W to Wm Dunlap, Sept 22, Reserve twp, 28.8 acres, Evans st.....
Cheswick Land Co to Anna M Collier, Dec 9, Cheswick, 50x150, Highland ave.....
Dunlap Wm A to Rachel M Lemon, Aug 1, 15th wd, Pgh, 17 acres..... 8,000
Stoner M M to David Lederman, May 23, 18th, 1st 18305..... 2,250
Cook John W to Leo Ottoway, Oct 28, Avalon, 40x100, Main st..... 3,700
Jenswein Louis to Jno Fürman, Dec 2, Indiana twp, 54 acres..... 6,250
But Josephine to Jno J Reilly, Nov 9, 11th ward, Pgh, Herron Hill st.....
Hamilton Annie to Mary W McMahon, Dec 29, 7th wd, Pgh, 21x44, Congress st..... 6,000
Grindell Wm E to Alice Skipp, Feb 28, 21st wd, Pgh, 25x114, Susquehanna st.....
Nilecn J H to D Shugerman, Nov 7, N Braddock, 51x150, Brinton ave..... 1,800
Corvede W to Mary Hoffstot, Oct 7, Sharpsburg, 100x88, Main st..... 7,500
Golbroe Inspt Co to Mary C Sheets, Oct 27, Aspinwall, 67x100, First st.....
Marvin Lizzie J M to Jno S Turentium, 225x218, E 7th ave..... 1,200
Glenwood Land Co to W S Haynes, Nov 24, 23d wd, Pgh, 21x85, Renova st..... 945
Barr Isabella A to F K McCrelin, Nov 10, 19th wd, Pgh, 125x150, Chislett st..... 8,750
Thomas Mary M to Frank Orth, Oct 26, 13th wd, Pgh, 40x112, Wylie av..... 2,000
Orth Wm M to Mary Thomas, Nov 30, 5th wd, Allegheny, 20x140, Allegheny ave.....
Obitz J E to J M Cassiby, Oct 25, 21st wd, Pgh, 81x93, Idlewild st..... 7,100
Hassig J G, Gabriel More, Dec. 20, Sheraden, 100x160, Hill st.....
Sheets Mary C to Rose M Love, Oct 31, Aspinwall, 25x100, 1st st.....
Mary James to Jno A Angle, Nov 3, 14th wd, Allegheny, 26x120, Woodland ave.....
Plummer Mary E to Henry F Butz, Dec 4, 19th wd, Pgh, 27.5x55, Stanton ave.....
Kling Frank to C F Altemus, Oct 17, Pitcairn, 28x100, 4th st.....
Dewey W to Florence Marshall, July 17, Stowe twp, 141.10x0.....
Koehler John to John Klein, Dec 1, 28th wd, Pgh, 25x78, River alley.....

HISTORY OF WASHINGTON.

A Newspaper's Story of the Growth of the Capital of the Nation.

The Washington Post has just given to the public "A History of the City of Washington, Its Men and Institutions," which is far and away above the average local history. It is a beautiful volume of about 600 pages, quarto size, prepared under the editorial direction of Allen B. Slauson of the library of congress.

As early as the summer of 1608 the attractiveness of the place was recognized by Capt. John Smith. In 1632 a fur trader named Henry Fleet wrote in quaint English that the places was without question the most pleasant and healthful in the country, the rivers abounding in fish, and the forests swarming with "deere, buffaloes, beare and turkeys." Forty years later, in 1666, Francis Pope, an eccentric Englishman, located his home there on an estate which he named Rome, "because," said he, "I am determined to make it the Pope of Rome." The story is told of the selection of the place for the national capital. The following extract is illustrated with photographs that show the development of its highways from country lanes to streets of unsurpassed magnificence.

The reading of Washington irving's life fills Alexander R. Shepherd who, with his associates in the district government in 1871, horrified property owners by imposing $2,000,000 of bonds and increasing the bonded indebtedness twice that amount, and used the proceeds in improvements. The book is brightened with biographical sketches of representative citizens and public men.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Butter, receipts, 5,442 packages. Steady extra creamery, 28c; creamery common to choice, 16@24½c; state dairy, 15@24c; renovated creamery, 19@22c. Cheese, receipts, 2,074 packages. Quiet; state, full cream fancy small colored September, 12c; late made, 10c; small white September, 12c; late made, 10c; large colored September, 12c; late made, 10c; large white September, 12c; late made, 10c. Eggs, receipts, 4,088 packages. Steady; state and Pennsylvania nearby average, best, 30c; state and Pennsylvania seconds to first, 28@29c; western seconds, 25@ 30c; western firsts, 30@32c; refrigerated, 24@ 27c.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—Butter, firm, good demand; extra western creamery, 29@29½c; nearby prints, 30c. Eggs, strong, 2c higher. Fresh nearby, 34c at the mark; Pennsylvania, New York and southwestern, 33@34c; southern, 31c. Cheese, steady but dull. New York full creams fancy, 11½c; choice 11½c; fair to good, 10½@11c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Butter firm; creameries, 19@26c; dairies, 14@21c. Eggs decidedly strong at many cases included, 26½@29c. Cheese, steady, 12½@13c.

ELGIN, Ill., Dec. 14.—Butter ruled firm on the board of trade this afternoon, selling at 25c a pound, the same as last week. Sales in the region for the week were 450,000 pounds.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The market for coffee futures opened steady at a decline of 10 points under liquidation following lower Havre and primary cables, but ruled fairly steady at the decline, at one time showing a partial recovery on covering and commission support from bullish interests. Toward the close, however, the market eased off again under continued realizing, and the market was finally steady at unchanged to 5 points decline, with sales of 131,000 bags, including December at 6.25c, January at 6.35c, February at 6.45@6.50c, March at 6.60@6.70c, May at 6.90@7.00c, April at 6.85c, and July at 7.05@7.15c, August at 7.15c, September at 7.25@7.35c, October at 7.30@7.35c.

Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining, 3½c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4¼c; molasses sugar, 2¾c; refined steady; crushed, 5.05c; powdered, 4.85c; granulated, 4.75c.

Turpentine and Rosin.

SAVANNAH, GA., Dec. 14.—Turpentine, 56c; A, B, C, D, E, F, $2 20; G, $2 25; H, $2 45; I, $2 50; K, $2 70; M, $2 90; N, $3 05; W G, $3 15; W W, $3 40.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 14.—Turpentine steady at 55½c. Rosin steady; A, B, C, D, E, F, $2 10; G, $2 15; H, $2 25; I, $2 45; K, $2 70; M, $2 85; N, $3 05; W G, $3 15; W W, $3 40.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 14.—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing. Rosin, nothing doing. Tar firm at $1 70. Crude turpentine firm at $2 25@3 80.

HAY RECEIPTS HEAVY, BUT MARKET IS FIRM

Lemons and Oranges Declined in Price—Butter Market Is Steady.

Hay receipts were the largest yesterday in weeks. The local market was been excellent, and hay is pouring in from Indiana and Ohio as well as Pennsylvania. The receipts yesterday were 144 cars, but prices remained firm, on account of a change in grade in the Pennsylvania markets. Many cars that would be received there today. This will effect today's market. Any fear of prices falling today will be alleviated by reason of the effect of the Manchester yard reporting that grain market was slow generally yesterday, no sales having been made. Cold weather has had a decided effect on the tropical fruit markets. On account of inability to ship oranges, fruits, prices have declined. Lemons dropped 25 cents and oranges 50 points yesterday.

A bad season in New Orleans has cut off the supply of New Orleans vegetables. These shipments have ceased on account of weather conditions in that part of the south.

Cranberries dropped several points yesterday. Dealers have a large stock on hand, and the low declines of 50 cents Thanksgiving has put better market is holding its own.

Poultry is plentiful and the market is firm. Live chickens advanced slightly yesterday, as did turkeys, which are scarce. Dealers have a big stock of poultry and look for the market to get stronger. Indications are that turkeys will not be any too plentiful for Christmas. Eggs are in good supply and is steady. Holiday greens are plenty, but as yet the market is weak. The grocery market is quiet.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.

Receipts bulletined: Pennsylvania lines 61 cars hay, 3 cars straw, 7 cars corn, 10 cars oats, 1 car corn and oats, 6 cars feed, 2 cars of Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, 20 cars hay, 1 car feed and 1 car corn and oats; Baltimore & Ohio, 26 cars hay, 2 cars corn, 1 car oats, 2 cars corn and oats, 1 car straw.

Hay, No. 1 tim-
othy.....$14.00@14.50 | Rye, No. 2
do, 2.....$13.50@14.00 | Wheat, No. 2 red.....
No. 1 clov.$11.50@12.00 | 2 cor.....$21.50@22.00
do No. 2.$10.50@11.00 | do brown.$20.00@21.00
No. 3.....$12.00@12.50 | Brar, ton...$18.00@18.50
Loose from
wagon.$15.00@17.00 | Corn, No. 2 yellow
Straw, oat.....$8.00@9.00 | shelled.....
wheat.....$8.50@9.00 | High mix.....
do rye...$12.50@13.00 | No. 2 mix.....
Oats, No. 2
white.....41@41½c | High mix.....
No. 3 white.....40@40½c | No. 3 yellow
do No. 4.....39@39½c | car.....

GROCERIES.

Flour.
Fancy stg. pat-
ent.....$3.90@4.25
Fancy winter
pat.....$3.75@4.00
Straight win $3.50@4.00
Bakers' stg. $3.40@3.60
Rye.....$3.60@3.70
Graham.....$3.60@3.70
Cornmeal bbl$3.20@3.40
do 10-lb cotton
sacks.....17@18c
Rolled oats,
bbl.....$5.10
do bags.....$2.70
Roasted Coffees.
Rio.....9@12c
Santos.....12½@15½c
Maracaibo.....17@17½c
Mocha.....20@22c
Golden Rio.....15@15½c
Caracas.....19@19½c
Standard
Spices.
Allspice.....$11.05@11.50
High grade$17.50@18.50
Molasses, fancy
refined.....35@37c
do centrifugal.....
do open ket....38@40c
Syrup.
Fancy Sugar.....28@30c
Sug. and cane.....24@25c
Prime.....24@25c
2½-lb cans, doz.....
5-lb cans, doz.....$1.60
10-lb cans, doz.....$3.20
Maple, gal.....$1.00@1.50
Gallon cans, per can.....
do bags.....$2.95
Sugar sta. gran.....4.65c
do bags.....4.55c
Sugar 2-4-lb cot-
ton bags.....4.80c

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches std. pie, $1.10 | Plums, damson.....$1.00
do pie, gal $2.50@3.00 | do Calif....$1.65@1.70
do California | Raspberries.....$5.00@
Lima beans, | Gooseberries.....95c@$1.00
do Burbank..... | Pineapples,
Peas, std.....$1.30@1.40 | standard.....$5@$6.00

BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE.

Butter. | Cheese.
Fancy stg. ist.....$1.17@1.25 | Ohio Swiss.....
do fancy.....$1.15@1.20 | Ohio Cream.....
Creamery, extra.....$1.25@1.30 | Dairy.....
Creamery, ord.....$1.15@1.20 | Limburger.....
Country, ext.....$1.15@1.20 | Cheese, full
Country, prime | cream.....
Country, com- | do flats.....
mon.....$1.05@1.10 | do 3 cr. cheese.....
Process.....$1.15@1.20 | do 4 cr. cheese.....
Oleo.....$1.05@1.10 | Cheese, Ohio fcy.....
Cheese, Ohio fcy.....$1.15@1.20 | Cheese, Ohio fcy.....

DOMESTIC FRUITS.

Apples, fancy | Cranberries,
bbl.....$3.50@4.00 | per bbl.....$2.25@2.50
do choice.....$2.50@3.00 | do bbl.....$8.50@10.00
Grapes,
Catawba.....20c

POULTRY AND GAME.

Live chickens...11@12c | Impt. pheasants,
Roosters.....10@c | pair.....$2.50
Ducks.....12@13c | do mongrel.....$1.00
Live Geese, lb.....12@13c | do partridges.....$2.25
Geese.....11@12c | do black ducks.....$2.50
Dressed hens.....14@15c | do plover, doz.....$4.00
Dressed spring.....15@16c | do teal, pair.....$1.00
Roasters.....16@17c | do mallard ducks,
Roosters.....10c | pair.....$1.75@2.00
Turkeys, fresh.....22c | do canvas backs.....$3.00
Spring.....21c | do red heads.....$2.00
Ducks.....12@13c | do bluebills.....$1.50
Capons, lb.....20c | do red heads.....$1.50
Rabbits, pair.....20@25c | do ring necks.....$1.50
Squabs, per doz.....$2.00 | do ex. live.....65c
Pigeons, pair.....35c

HOLIDAY GREENS.

Christmas trees | Evergreens,
per doz.....$3.00@6.00 | per doz.....$1.25@1.50
Holly, crate.....$3.00@4.00 | Sweet pepper,
Laurel, yard.....50c | crate.....$6.00@7.00
Wreaths, doz.....$1.50 | Mistletoe,
Decorated wreaths, | bbl.....$8.00@10.00
per doz.....$1.50@1.75
Cedar, per
cord.....$8.00@9.00

Visible Supply of Grain.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The visible supply of grain Saturday, December 12, as compiled by the New York Produce Exchange is as follows: Wheat, 24,881,000 bushels; decrease, 92,265,000. Corn, 6,562,000 bushels, increase 9,000 bushels. Oats, 9,277,000 bushels, increase 342,000 bushels. Rye, 1,126,000 bushels, increase 190,000 bushels. Barley, 3,822,000 bushels, increase 99,000 bushels.

RAILROADS WILL FIGHT ISSUING OF EXPORT RATES

The Interstate Commerce commission has started an agitation that will likely result in much good to manufacturers of this district. The commission intends forcing the railroads to publish their import and export rates, a thing not done at present. The claim has been made by the railroads year in and year out that the interstate commerce acts do not cover such publications, and, consequently, these are guarded from all important figures. The commission has ordered a hearing for Thursday in Washington, which it is learned upon good authority from officials here will be attended by the highest traffic men, who will go with the avowed intention of opposing any such legislation.

The claim is made that the railroads say the law requires the publication of tariffs and that the railroads will lose their case. The officials contend, however, that it is an impossibility for the railroads to keep down their rates for a period of six months, as the export rates are such that they have no desire to keep vital information from the public. They say that the rates depend upon the market prices and ocean rates, which as is known, fluctuate greatly.

Certain classes of manufacturers have tried to force the trunk lines to issue tariffs covering import and export business, and in consequence the railroads have been severely pummeled in the hearings before the commission. Some of these hearings developed that glass, for example, can be brought from Belgium to Pittsburgh at a lower rate than it is shipped from Pittsburgh to Milwaukee. An industrial traffic official was responsible for this almost incredible statement. Already a year ago the commission has been flooded with its subject. Presidents, general freight agents and freight traffic officials of railroads were summoned to testify, but for some reason or other they carefully skimmed over the subject.

The commission has revived the fight, and it is thought that the railroads will be defeated. The meeting in Washington will be a most important one, for the railroads have only railroad men and no attorneys as witnesses although the commission will be in close communication with industrial freight managers in the event that their testimony is needed.

Considered Switching Charges.

The executive board of the Pittsburgh Car Service held a special meeting yesterday at the Union station to consider a complaint made by the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio railroads against the Pittsburgh Railways charge of a small connecting line at Dunbar, Pa. This road, which is known as the New Haven & Dunbar, is owned by mining and manufacturing companies and has a number of mines and handles much freight for the Pennsy and Baltimore & Ohio. As far as can be learned there has been a violation of the agreed charges for switching which may have been intentional or otherwise. What decision was reached yesterday none of the members of the board would say. It was entirely satisfactory however, to the complainants.

Fort Wayne Fast Run.

The Toledo train on the Ft. Wayne, which was inaugurated about two weeks ago, on Sunday established a speed record which will be difficult to beat. The train left Fort Wayne for Pittsburgh, a distance of 119 miles, and made in 225 minutes, including six stops and numerous slow orders due to new track. The fastest running time of the train was a little less than 2½ minutes, the average rate of speed being 44 miles an hour. The run was made on account of a demand from Toledo shippers, who wanted to get perishable fruit in advance. May, 49 7-16@49¾c, closed at 49½c; December, 50@50¼c, closed at 50c. Oats—Receipts, 15,200 bu; spot market steady; No. 2, 32½c in elevator and 33½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 3 white, 32½c; No. 2 white, 33½c; No. 2 white, 33½@33¾c; fair to fancy mixed, 32@32½c; fair to choice mixed, 31½@32c; No. 2 white, 33½@33¾c; fair to choice white, 33@33½c; No. 3 white, 32½@33c. Rye—Receipts, 3,100 bu; spot market steady; No. 2, 52½c in elevator and 53½c f. o. b. afloat. Hay—Receipts, 40 tons; spot market steady; choice timothy, $14 50@15 00; No. 1 timothy, $13 50@14 00; No. 2 timothy, $11 50@12 50; fair to choice timothy, $12@13 50; No. 1 clover, $12@12 50; No. 1 mixed timothy and clover, $12@12 50; No. 2 mixed timothy and clover, $11@11 50; packing hay, $10@10 50; choice baling hay, $11@11 50; No. 1 baling hay, $10@10 50; No. 2 baling hay, $9@9 50; No. 1 packing straw, $7 50@8 00; No. 2 rye straw, $8@8 50; oat straw, $6@6 50; wheat straw, $6@6 50. Flour—Spring wheat steady; best grades, $4 50@4 75; second grades, $4 25@4 50; spring wheat clears, $4@4 25; winter wheat steady; best grades, $4 50@4 75; second grades, $4 25@4 50; winter wheat clears, $4@4 25. Millfeed—Bran, $20 50@21 00; chop, $22@23 00. Corn meal—Steady; fine white or yellow, $2 60@2 65; coarse white or yellow, $2 60@2 65; fine white or yellow, $2 60@2 65; coarse white or yellow, $2 60@2 65. Corn—Receipts, 15,200 bu; spot market steady; No. 2, 42½c in elevator and 43½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 3 white, 42½c; No. 2 white, 43½c; No. 2 white, 43½@43¾c; fair to choice mixed, 42½@43c; No. 3 white, 42½@43c; fair to choice white, 43@43½c; No. 2 yellow, 43½@43¾c; fair to choice yellow, 43@43½c; No. 3 yellow, 42½@43c; shipping corn, 42½@43c; ear corn, $1 27 @1 30; choice white shelled, $1 27@1 30; choice yellow shelled, $1 27@1 30; choice mixed shelled, $1 27@1 30; choice white ear, $1 27@1 30; choice yellow ear, $1 27@1 30; choice mixed ear, $1 27@1 30; choice white coarse, $1 27@1 30; choice yellow coarse, $1 27@1 30; choice mixed coarse, $1 27@1 30.

Receipts and shipments:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	17,500	11,900
Wheat, bu	86,400	14,400
Corn, bu	200,000	32,000
Oats, bu	254,000	317,500
Rye, bu	6,200	22,000
Barley, bu	120,200	71,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Flour—Receipts, 20,400 bbls; offers, 5,700 bbls; market quiet; receipts and steady. Rye flour dull. Buckwheat flour firm. Cornmeal steady.

Wheat—Receipts, 42,400 bu; exports, 25,995 bu; spot market firm; No. 2 red, 80½c in elevator; No. 2 red, 81½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 86½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, 81½c f. o. b. afloat. Options opened active and strong on bullish statistics, holding the small northwest receipts, therefore on the bulge in Chicago, and closed firm at ½@¾c net advance; May, 81 7-16@81¾c, closed at 81¾c; December, 80@80¼c, closed at 80¼c. Corn—Receipts, 45,650 bu; exports, 2,000 bu; spot market steady; No. 2, 52½c in elevator and 53½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 white, 53½c; No. 2 yellow, 53½c; No. 3, 52½c; steamer mixed, 51½@52c; dull and steady. Options opened steady with wheat, sold off on the weather news and local selling, but rallied on a demand from shorts, closing firm at ½@¾c net advance; May, 49 7-16@49¾c, closed at 49½c; December, 50@50¼c, closed at 50c. Oats—Receipts, 254,600 bu; exports, 317,500 bu; spot market steady; No. 2, 32½c in elevator and 33½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 3 white, 32½c; No. 2 white, 33½c; mixed oats, 31½@32c; fair to choice mixed, 32@32½c; natural white, 32@33c; clipped white, 33@38c. Hay steady; shipping, 70c; good to choice, 85@90c. Hops steady; state, common to choice, 1903, 28@32c; state, Pacific coast, 1903, 28@32c; state, 1902 crop, 20@25c; state, 1901 crop, 18@20c; Pacific coast, 1902 crop, 20@25c; Pacific coast, 1901 crop, 18@20c; olds, 10@15c. Hides steady; Buenos Ayres, 24@25c; Central America, 23@24c; California, 23@24c; Texas, 23@24c. Leather steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light and medium, 24@25c; heavy, 23@24c; hemlock sole, California, 23@24c; hemlock sole, Texas, 23@24c; hemlock sole, Rio Grande, 23@24c; oak sole, 33@35c; hemlock, 26@28c; hemlock, 25@27c; hemlock, 24@26c; hemlock, 23@25c; hemlock, 22@24c; hemlock, 21@23c; hemlock, 20@22c; hemlock, 19@21c; hemlock, 18@20c; hemlock, 17@19c; hemlock, 16@18c; hemlock, 15@17c; hemlock, 14@16c; hemlock, 13@15c; hemlock, 12@14c; hemlock, 11@13c; hemlock, 10@12c; hemlock, 9@11c; hemlock, 8@10c; hemlock, 7@9c; hemlock, 6@8c; hemlock, 5@7c; hemlock, 4@6c; hemlock, 3@5c; hemlock, 2@4c; hemlock, 1@3c; hemlock, 0@2c; hemlock, 0@1c; hemlock, 0@0c; hemlock, 0@0c; hemlock, 0@0

News of the Nearby Towns and Country

BOYCE TRIAL GIVES BEAVER A SENSATION

Conflicting Testimony Brought Out—Defendant Claims That H. H. Ramsey Shot First.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BEAVER, PA., Dec. 14.—Edward Boyce was placed on trial today charged with having shot Howard H. Ramsey of Conway on November 14 while the latter was walking with his sisters. Boyce was in love with Miss Anna Ramsey. Her parents objected to the match. Sensational testimony was adduced.

Ramsey testified that Boyce had threatened to kill him and said that on the night of November 14 he, in company with his two sisters, Anna and Lulu Ramsey, and Miss Elvira Monapath of Allegheny, took Boyce to a restaurant at Roshester. Boyce introduced them and Anna Ramsey told him to go away. While the party was going home Boyce appeared again. Ramsey said he asked Boyce why he did not let his sister alone, and Boyce pulled a revolver and shot, the bullet striking Ramsey in the abdomen. Ramsey then shot Boyce in the head.

Anna Ramsey then testified to numerous threats alleged to have been made by Boyce, saying he had sent her a threatening letter, which read:

"I will hunt you down and shoot you. Your days are numbered. If you wish to stay in this world you must run away with me."

Miss Ramsey testified that last January Boyce approached her and, drawing a revolver, threatened to kill her, but was prevented by Frank Craig, who accompanied her. Miss Monapath and Miss Lulu Ramsey gave corroborative evidence.

Boyce on the stand, testified that Ramsey had made threats to "fix him," and then he carried a revolver. As to the shooting, Boyce said when he met the party Ramsey caught him by the coat, knocked his arm up and fired, shooting him in the head. He then shot Ramsey.

Dr. S. H. McCaskey, who attended Boyce, testified that Boyce's face was full of powder and the wound could not have been inflicted by a revolver more than six inches from his face, thus corroborating Boyce's testimony. Boyce told of his relations with Miss Ramsey, causing great interest among the spectators.

CRUDE OIL GOES TO $2.

Sold at That Figure Yesterday on the Oil City Exchange.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

OIL CITY, PA., Dec. 14.—The hope of the Pennsylvania and West Virginia producers for $2 oil was realized today when sales of certificates made at that figure on the floor of the exchange. This is the highest price in seven years.

Every month during the current year except June, has shown a decrease in the amount of stocks of Pennsylvania oil, which includes the West Virginia product, until the present stock is less than 5,000,000 barrels, or about one year's supply.

The advent of cold weather retards drilling operations and necessitates further drafts on the already record producing small supply above ground. The stock of Buckeye oil, under which head are grouped North Lima, South Lima and Indiana oils, is less than 10,000,000 barrels and is steadily diminishing.

MINERS' STRIKE ORDERED.

Union Proposes to Close Down Meversdale Region Because of Wage Reduction.

MEYERSDALE, PA., Dec. 14.—Special.—Notices were posted at the mines of the companies, who ordered reductions of 10 per cent throughout the Meyersdale region, signed by the executive committee and president of District 18, United Mine Workers of America, ordering all employes to cease work tomorrow at midnight.

This order will affect 3,000 men in Somerset county and work in this region will be practically suspended as a result of the order.

WHEELING CHURCH CALLS JUSTICE POTTER'S COUSIN

WHEELING, W. VA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The Rev. J. M. Potter of Brilliant, O., has been unanimously called to the pastorate of the Grace Memorial Presbyterian church of Wheeling, at a salary of $1,500, and parsonage. This church is housed in a beautiful stone building, with a handsome manse next door, and is situated in Woodsdale, the best residence district of Wheeling. Mr. Potter is a son of the Rev. G. M. Potter of Sharpsburg, where he was born and reared, and is also a cousin of Justice W. E. Potter of the Pennsylvania supreme court. He has been pastor of the church at Brilliant for five years, going there from the seminary in Allegheny. Mr. Potter has accepted and will begin the work January 1.

Big Enrollment of Bedford Teachers.

BEDFORD, PA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The forty-ninth annual session of the Bedford County Teachers' institute was held here today with the highest enrollment of teachers in its history. Among those who spoke were: James McCoughlin, city superintendent of schools of Wilkesbarre; P. M. Pearson of Swarthmore college, and Spillman Biggs of Akron, O.

COMPANY WON STRIKE.

Annual Report of Harbison Walker Refactories Shows Surplus for Year.

In the annual report to the stockholders of the Harbison-Walker Refractories Company, it is stated that the strikes at 22 out of 32 of the plants of that company are now practically at an end and have resulted in the company winning. In September, according to the report, more brick was made than during any month before the strike started in April. It is also stated that the salary list has been placed on a low fixed basis, supplemented by a percentage on net earnings in order to secure the greater interest of employes.

The profit and loss account of the year's operation follows:

Net profits, after deducting items charged and $280,000 for repairs for all ordinary repairs and maintenance, which covers depreciation of plants		$1,478,581 45
LESS		
Extraordinary expenditures, remodeling kilns, works, etc., and increasing the capacity		$103,833 98
Charged off for depreciation of mining and iron-land outputs	25,821 62	
Charged off for depreciation of clay, coal and gas-producing properties	28,813 97	
		162,569 27
Net profits after deducting above		$1,315,012 18
LESS		
Interest on bonds	$172,749 93	
Interest and dividend on preferred stock	963,124 50	
		135,875 43
Surplus for the year		$550,736 75

IRATE FATHER USES BOTTLE ON SUITOR

WILKESBARRE, PA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Walter Kugenkil today asked Anthony Balcoock for permission to marry his daughter and was so badly injured that he is in a dangerous condition. He has been in love for some time. Today he summoned courage to ask the old gentleman. Balcoock promptly seized a bottle and battered the suitor's head. Balcoock was arrested.

Cemetery Despoiled For Christmas Trees

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—William Allen of this place was arrested today on the charge of robbing the Graceland cemetery of evergreen trees to sell as Christmas trees. He gave bail for a hearing.

WAGES ARE REDUCED TO KEEP THE SHOPS GOING

Youngstown Machinists Enter Into New Agreements With Employers.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 14.—A reduction of from 5 to 15 per cent for all the machinists of the valley will go into effect on December 16. Each of the eight machine shops in the city made the reduction independent of the others.

The machinists' union was not notified, the manufacturers entering into separate agreements with the men. "We are trying to keep the shops going," said one of the owners today. "If the men do not like what we offer them, they are privileged to go elsewhere. If they all walk out of our shop, the shop will be closed."

The Bessemer plant, Republic Iron and Steel Company, has been closed down. Nearly all the mills of the Brown-Bonnell plant of the Republic company will be on by Wednesday. Tomorrow the skelp department and the puddle mills of the Youngstown Iron, Sheet and Tube Company will be put on in full.

It was announced today that the stack of the Struthers Furnace Company, which was blown out last Saturday, will be relined before it is placed in operation. Stack No. 2, Ohio group, Carnegie Steel Company, which has been relined, will be placed in operation about the first of the year. It is expected to have stack No. 4 of the same group ready for operation by February 1.

SHARON, PA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Announcement was made today that furnace workers and mechanics employed about the blast furnaces in the Shenango valley will receive a cut of wages on January 1 of 10 per cent. Turnmen will receive $2 per day and laborers $1.50. Five hundred men will be affected.

Wanted for Obtaining Goods.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Morris Strauss, alias Joseph Grancko, is charged with having secured $10,000 worth of goods under the pretense that he wanted to start a store here. He is under arrest in New York but is fighting extradition.

West Virginia Waters Low.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The Kanawha and Elk rivers at Charleston have reached the lowest stage in many years. Locks and dams have been lowered to let the ice out. All Kanawha river boats are tied up.

STATE AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

ELKINS, W. VA.—Mayor Irons has summoned saloonkeepers to show cause why their licenses should not be revoked.

LAFAGE, PA.—Ground has been broken for the site of a new distillery, soon to be operated by Harry O. Bedford of Mt. Pleasant.

CHARLESTON, W. VA.—Alex Matthews, colored, wanted at Madison, Ga., for murder and burglary, was arrested at Georgia, W. Va.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA.—At the Parkersburg Mill Company's saw mill, James Jackson was caught by a revolving shaft and fatally injured.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Contractors have asked the carpenters' union to present its scale early this year instead of waiting until the season for building opens.

GREENSBURG, PA.—Con Monahan, a coke-worker of Maywood, was attacked in his shanty and seriously injured by a negro, who shot him in the neck.

WOOSTER, O.—A. D. McBeth of Cleveland was appointed receiver for the Warwick Sandstone & Coal company, upon application of minority stockholders.

CLEARFIELD, PA.—Frank Rider, a brakeman on the New York Central railroad was killed by a train. He was 25 years old and married but two months.

TORONTO, O.—The winter session of the Steubenville presbytery convened here tonight for a three days' session. One hundred ministers and delegates are in attendance.

EAST LIVERPOOL.—George H. Conn of Chester, W. Va., a boatman, was arrested on a charge of getting $200 from the Commercial National bank of Steubenville by means of a check.

NEW CASTLE, PA.—Miss Belle Davis is suffering from severe burns received in a natural gas explosion at her home while she was baking. The windows were blown out of the kitchen.

GREENSBURG, PA.—Ethel Brandon, a 3-year-old inmate of the Children's Home, died at the Westmoreland hospital from the effects of swallowing carbolic acid. Her parents live in Wilkinsburg.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Nearly all who attended the chicken pie supper given by the Direct Christian church Saturday night, are suffering from poisoning resulting from cooking the chicken in copper kettles.

LISBON, O.—The Columbiana County Medical society has appointed a committee to report the village authorities of Washingtonville to the state board of health for neglecting quarantine regulation to prevent the spread of smallpox.

ACTORS SPENT NIGHT IN RAILWAY CAR

Were Barred from Milton Because a Member of Company Had the Smallpox.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

MILTON, PA., Dec. 14.—A member of the Bennett theatrical company developed smallpox on the train while en route from Shenandoah to Danville, and as a result the company last night suffered hours of misery. Word was sent ahead to this place, where the company was scheduled to spend the night, and when they arrived they were met by armed guards who refused them admission to the town.

Several of the company, however, entered Milton before they could be stopped. Finally the sick man and the rest of the company gathered at the West Milton station and the agent closed up and left. The members of the party, especially the women, were suffering from the cold when a railroad employe gave them the use of a passenger coach on a siding. They spent the night there. This morning physicians vaccinated the company and they were allowed to proceed to Danville. The smallpox patient remains here.

BLAMES TWO DEATHS ON QUARANTINE METHOD

STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Smith H. Lafferew has begun suit for $20,000 damages against Joseph Robinson, C. H. Merkle and James Wetherell, trustees of Warren township. He alleges that they quarantined and guarded his house where two children were sick with scarlet fever, and that the children died because the trustees failed to provide for them.

Fire in Clearfield's High School.

CLEARFIELD, PA., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Fire originated in the basement of the new high school building at noon today and ruined the interior of the structure. Many children were in the building at the time, but all escaped without injury. The loss will amount to several thousand dollars.

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Did Not Find Money on Negro.

Policeman Thomas McConnell arrested Marshall Parker a negro, of 101 Rock street, in Smithfield street yesterday afternoon. It was said he had taken $5 from an old man in Water street, but the money was not found on him.

CAPE MAY AS A WINTER RESORT.

Parlor Car Service Via Pennsylvania Railroad

Cape May is growing rapidly in favor as an all-the-year-around resort. Several good hotels remain open all winter—the Windsor and Aldine, which have fine sun parlors; the Chalfonte and the Ebbitt. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company offers daily parlor car service between Philadelphia and Cape May on trains leaving Philadelphia, Market street wharf, 4:08 p. m. week days; 9:00 a. m. Sundays, and on trains leaving Cape May 7:30 a. m. week days and 4:45 p. m. Sundays.

Healthy South Side.

Yesterday evening's papers stated that "31 cases of typhoid fever were reported during the last two days to the office of the bureau of health." But not one of these cases was from the 15 wards of the South Side, which get their water supply from the Monongahela Water Company, in regard to which an official of that company modestly says: "Comment is unnecessary."

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HANDKERCHIEFS—Ground Floor.
UMBRELLAS — Ground Floor.
CHRISTMAS CANDY — Ground Floor.
GLOVES—Ground Floor.
RUGS—Second Floor.
SOFA PILLOWS — Third Floor.

DOWN STAIRS.

"Bric-a-Brac"

Here's a fertile field of suggestion—a grouping of gift goods so miscellaneous that both in the advertising and in the store they must be brought together into a single family under the general term "Bric-a-Brac."

—Gold Photo Frames, all shapes and sizes, guaranteed finish, for 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.25.

—Hand Glasses in gold, natural wood, ebonized and fancy metal frames, for 25c to $2

—Triplicate Mirrors — round, square and oval in metal and polished wood frames. Various sizes. All good reflectors. Prices 98c to $8.98.

—Easel Back and Swivel Mirrors in various artistic forms, 50c to $8.98.

—Shaving Sets, in leatherette boxes—mug and brush—some with two mugs, 69c to $3.50.

—Puff Box Sets, in decorated china, $2 and $3.50.

—Paper Weights in animal forms, ingeniously grouped, 25c to $1.98.

Thermometers, in gold frames, 35c to $1.98.

—Smoking Sets, 89c to $5.98.

—Ash Receivers, 25c to 50c.

—Soap Boxes, nickel-plated, 25c and 50c.

—Match Boxes of white metal, 25c and 50c.

—Ink Stands, in brass, bronze, French gray, gold-plated, silver plated and copper, 25c to $7.50.

—Jewel or Ring Boxes, silver-plated, gold-plated, French gray finish and enameled, 39c to $6.98.

—Gold-plated Clocks, $1.25 to $12.

Gifts for Men

Foremost features in the gift line in our Men's Furnishings Department just now are:

—House Coats or Smoking Jackets from $5 to $7.50.

—Bath Robes in Terry Cloth or Jacquard Flannels, from $5 to $7.

—New Christmas Neckwear, boxed separately, from 25c to $1.00.

—All-wool Sweaters for men and boys, from $1 to $2.

—Suspenders, each pair boxed separately, from 50c to $1.50.

—Mufflers, from $1 to $2.50.

—Dress Shirts, from 50c to $1.50.

—Handkerchiefs, from 6c to 50c.

—Fine Hosiery, from 12½c to 50c.

—Night Shirts, from 50c to $1.00.

—Boys' Pajamas, 75c.

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Engines — Just a hundred Mechanical Engines with two cars and equipment of tracks for continuous running, will be sold complete for..... 89c

Noah's Arks—15-inch Arks, well filled with animals and members of the Noah family, cut from 59c to..... 39c

Express Wagons—Stoutly built, with iron bed and body, galvanized wheels, japanned axles, for..... $1.39

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Where the Silver Shimmers

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—Key Rings for men, 25c and 50c.

—Shaving Brushes, $1, $2 and $3.25.

—Military Brushes—the kind that look like best Sterling silver backs, $4.50, $5 and $6.50 pair.

—Ink Stands in crystal and cut glass, with sterling silver tops, 50c, $1.25, $1.50, $2 and $2.50.

—Nail Polishers, 50c, 75c and 98c.

—Bonnet Brushes, 39c, $1.50 and $2.00.

—Hat Brushes, 25c, $1.25, $1.50 and $2.25.

—Hair Brushes, $2.50, $3.75 and $4.50.

—Mirrors—Finest French bevel plate, sterling silver backs and handles, $4.50, $4.75, $4.75 and $7.50.

—Clothes Brushes with sterling silver backs, $2, $2.50, $2.75, $2.98, $3.50 and $3.75.

—Whisk Brooms, 75c, 98c, $1.25, $1.50 and $2.

—Silver Mounted Combs, 50c, 75c, $1 and $1.50.

—Tooth Brush Holders, 25c and 75c.

—Puff Jars, 50c, $2, $3 and $4.50.

—Scissors—Sterling silver handles and steel blades, 75c, 98c, 75c and $1.

—Brush and Comb Sets, $3.50, $5 and $6.98.

—Brush, Comb and Mirror Sets, $7.50, $8.50, $10 and $12.50.

—Manicure Sets, $1.25, $2, $3.98, $5 and $7.98.

—Call Bells, 25c, 50c and $1.00.

—Sewing Sets, $1.25 and $1.98.

—Salts and Peppers, 25c and 50c.

—Tea Strainers, $1.75.

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Cleveland and Buffalo	* 9.00 am	* 5.40 pm
Akron and Cleveland	* 9.00 am	* 1.30 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	* 9.00 am	* 1.30 pm
Jamestown and Youngstown	* 9.00 am	* 1.30 pm
Jamestown and New Castle	* 9.00 am	* 1.30 pm
Ohio Express and Chicago	* 9.00 am	* 5.40 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	10.00 am	* 5.40 pm
Cleveland and Toledo	* 10.00 am	* 5.40 pm
Wellsville and Buffalo	* 10.00 am	* 5.40 pm
The Forest City Special	* 10.00 am	* 5.40 pm
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Akron and Cleveland	* 10.00 am	* 5.40 pm
The Toledo Special	12.00 m	* 5.40 pm
Akron Express	* 1.00 pm	* 5.40 pm
Youngstown and Jamestown	* 1.00 pm	* 5.40 pm
New Castle and Ashtabula	* 1.00 pm	* 5.40 pm
Chicago Express	* 2.00 pm	* 10.00 pm
Alliance and Mansfield	* 3.00 pm	* 10.00 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
Niagara Express	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
Mercer and Oil City	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
Wheatland and Sharon	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
Cleveland and Buffalo	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
Wellsville and Buffalo	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
New Castle and Jamestown	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
Ohio Express, Toledo	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
Cleveland, Indianapolis, Louisville	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
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Cleveland, Indianapolis, Louisville	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
The Pennsylvania Limited	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
Akron and Cleveland	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
Beaver Falls and New Castle	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm
Alliance and New Castle	* 4.00 pm	* 8.00 pm

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Leave for Steubenville, 7.45 a. m., 12.30 p. m., 12.30 night.

Leave for Monongahela, 10.00 a. m., 4.00 p. m.

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EASTERN STOCK MARKET CLOSED NEAR THE TOP

Steel Preferred and Pennsylvania Rallied on Covering of Shorts—Heavy Engagement of Gold Reported—Local Securities Dull.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

The eastern stock market again demonstrated its professional character yesterday. United States Steel preferred and Pennsylvania Railroad, which were under pressure at the close of last week, and regarding which the outlook continues to be unfavorable, so far as a maintenance of earnings is concerned, were among the strongest stocks on the list, and the market practically hinged upon the action of those two stocks. London quotations came higher and foreigners were buyers, particularly of the Erie. Early in the session the tip was generally circulated that the shorts in Pennsylvania and Steel preferred were to be forced to cover, and prices opened fractionally higher. Steel preferred started at 82¾ and quickly rallied to 84. When the buying subsided there was a rather abrupt break to 83, but the greater portion of the loss was recovered, the stock selling up to 83⅝ and closing at 83½ bid, a net gain of a point for the day. The common stock remained dull within a narrow range of fluctuations, but the sinking fund bonds were fairly active and, after opening at 60⅜, advanced steadily to 60½ at the close. American Smelting common was active and higher, advancing to 90¼ on confident prediction that the stock today would be put upon a 3 per cent dividend basis. Amalgamated Copper opened higher at 45½, declined to 45 and subsequently recovered to 47⅛ on the announcement of a further advance in the price of the metal. Sugar rallied 1⅜ per cent and closed at a net advance of 2 per cent for the day. The other industrials were dull.

Pennsylvania opened at 116¾, declined to 115¾, and then rallied to 117¼, closing at 117⅜ bid. The rest of the railroad list strengthened during the late trading and the whole list closed near the top. There was less activity in the tractions, and fluctuations were narrow, compared with the movements last week.

While the strength of the leaders of the market during the early part of the session was generally credited to covering of shorts, the late rally was undoubtedly influenced by the announcement of the engagement all told of nearly $3,000,000 gold for import. Call money rates did not get above 6 per cent, and late in the day declined to 5 per cent, closing at 5@5½ per cent.

Two subjects occupied the attention of Wall street during the greater part of the day. One of these was the Northern Securities case, the argument in which before the supreme court was presented yesterday. The information from Washington was to the effect that lawyers thought the company's case was presented more strongly than the government's, but with the unanimous opinion of the lower court, supported by citations from decisions of the supreme court, still comparatively fresh in the minds of the public, the opinion outside legal circles leaned to the side of the government winning its case before the final tribunal. At the moment, however, the fate of the Northern Securities Company is a matter of subordinate interest compared with the outcome of the meeting today of iron and steel interests at which the fate of the pools in the trade may be determined. Evidence of the interest which Wall street took in the subject was furnished by the numerous inquiries received by Pittsburgh houses for an expression of opinion on the outcome. The head of one prominent local house who has special facilities for getting information on the subject returned from a careful canvass with the statement that among iron and steel men there was a radical divergence of opinion. The trade looks upon the United States Steel Corporation as the arbiter of prices, and the management is said to be waiting the consumers to come forward and place contracts at pool prices. On the other hand, independent manufacturers are said to be looking contracts and guaranteeing prices; in other words, they are assuring their customers that whatever prices the big corporation may decide shall be the official quotations will suffer in the settlement of contracts. If this statement of the situation is correct, then the question is, how long will it be before the corporation changes its attitude? The next question is, what form will the change take? Will it be a declaration of an open market? Those who reply to the latter in the affirmative recall that it was on December 12, 1896, that the steel billet pool removed all restrictions and gave its members the liberty to name their own prices, and it was on February 9, 1897, that the steel rail pool was dissolved and the price of rails dropped from $25 a ton, the nominal quotation prevailing for months, to $28 and then $17, with sales reported as low as $15. These cuts gave a wonderful stimulus to business and marked the beginning of expansion in the trade that did not reach its maximum until the midsummer of the present year. While the immediate outlook for the iron trade is not flattering, it does not necessarily follow that a further shrinkage in market values is impending. On the contrary, it would not be without precedent for a sharp upward movement to occur in the very stocks that would be most seriously affected by a continuation of business depression, based upon the short interest, which is believed to be already extremely large.

The local stock market was stagnant during the greater part of the session. Westinghouse Electric rallied to 77, and Steel preferred to 84, while Crucible Steel preferred declined to 90. Brewing common and Manufacturers Light and Heat were fractionally higher. These were the only stocks to display any life. The remainder of the list was dull and unchanged.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday foot up 1,527 shares stock and $2,000 bonds, as follows:

10 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.

13 Pgh. Coal pfd	90	100 Brewing	35¾
20 do	90	15 Electric Sss	76½
10 Ohio Fuel	97	100 U. S. Steel pf	83¾
15 Ohio Fuel	97		

10:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

100 U. S. Steel pf	84	150 Electric Sss	77
50 do	84	20 do	77
$1000 R. Coal 6s	112	80 do	77
10 Mfrs. L. & H.	30	10 do	77
10 do	30	10 Crucible	91½
50 do	30	80 Brewing	35¾
10 do	30	10 Pgh. Coal pfd	90
20 do	30	60 Marsden	3
50 Brewing pfd	84½		
10 do	84½		

12:30 P. M. to 2 P. M.

25 Mfrs. L. & H.	30	10 Crucible pfd	90
90 Crucible pfd	90	10 do	90
50 do	90	10 do	90
10 do	90	1 Pa. Pl. Glass	165
50 do	90		

2 P. M. to 3 P. M.

80 Mfrs. L. & H.	29¾	30 Pgh. Coal pfd	90½
$500 Crucible 5s	90	50 U. S. Steel pf	83½
3 Pgh. Coal pfd	90		

Summary.

Shares.		High.	Low.	Last Sale.	Chg.
180	Brewing	35½	35¼	35¼	-¼
40	Lt. & H.	43½	43½	43½	0
10	Crucible	91½	91½	91½	0
220	Do pfd	90	90	90	-1
160	Mfrs. L. & H.	30	29¾	30	+¼
20	Marsden	3	3	3	-¼
12	Ohio Fuel	97	97	97	
140	Pa. Coal	90	89½	90	0
1	P. Plate Glass	165	165	165	-5
300	U. S. Steel pf	84	83½	83½	+1¾
805	Electric Sss	77	76½	77	+1¾
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BONDS.

$1000	Citizens Tr. 5s	112	112	112	-6
1000	Riv. Coal 6s	112	112	112	0
$2000					

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.	Par.	Bid.	Ask.
Manufacturers Light & Heat	50	29½	30
Ohio Fuel Supply	25	97	
Pleasant Valley Traction	50	20½	
Westinghouse Electric 1st pfd	50	76	80
Do 2d preferred	50	74½	77½
Crucible Steel	100	90½	91½
Do preferred	100	90½	91½
Monongahela River Coal	100	75	90
Marsden	100	2½	3
National Fire Proofing	50	75	77½
Do preferred	50	25	26
Philadelphia	50	57½	
Pittsburgh Brewing	50	29½	30½
Do preferred	50	35½	36½
Do preferred	50	83	84
Pittsburgh Coal	100	89½	
Do preferred	100	89½	90
United States Steel pfd	100	83	83⅜
Westinghouse Airbrake	50	131	132

BONDS.	Par.	Bid.	Ask.
N. K. & A. Traction 5s		115	
Pgh. Mck. & Conn. 1st 5s		82½	92
Consolidated Gas 5s			103
Mononga. Light & Power 5s			100½
Monongahela River Coal 5s			112
Pittsburgh Brewing 6s		110	113½
Junction Railway 6s		117½	

NOTES AND COMMENT.

Both Wall street and Fourth avenue took a great deal of interest in discussing the earnings of the United States Steel Corporation for the current quarter, and the probable bearing the showing will have on the action of the directors on the 6th of next month relative to the dividend on the preferred stock. In discussing dividend prospects everyone now leaves out of the calculation any dividend on the common, the general impression being that the latter will be passed entirely. Dispatches from London say that foreigners are beginning to assume a bullish attitude on Steel preferred, in anticipation the 7 per cent rate on the preferred through the coming year, and one correspondent cabled that the impression prevailed that the rate might be temporarily reduced to 1¾ per cent quarterly or to the rate of 5 per cent per year. Here in Pittsburgh the majority opinion seems to lean to the side of 1¾ per cent declared next month, and then if there should be no decided improvement in the trade, the rate ought be reduced on the subsequent quarters of 1904. There are quite a number of persons, however, who express the belief that the 7 per cent rate will be paid during the coming year, and that the present discussion emanates entirely from the bears, who are short an enormous line of stocks, and whose attempts to depress the market has proved unavailing. At the request of several readers of this department, the following calculation is made of the annual fixed charges of the corporation for 1904 on this calculation account is taken of the reduction in the outstanding amount of preferred stock due to the operations of the bond conversion. First there is a charge of $257,880,000 at the 7 per cent interest on the $368,577,000 6 per cent first mortgage and collateral trust bonds issued in exchange for the bonds of the Carnegie Company. The sinking fund charge on these bonds is $8,040,000, leaving a net charge of $257,880. Next is the 5 per cent interest on the $170,000,000 new sinking fund bonds, amounting to $8,500,000, and $1,010,000 sinking fund provision for the same, leaving a net charge of $8,510,000. The sinking funds for the bonds of subsidiary companies amount to $424,000. The charges on these three classes of bonds amount to $268,561,800. The next charge against net earnings before dividends can be paid is for depreciation, etc. This is a matter purely within the discretion of the board of directors. The latter are said to have set aside $8,000,000 at the beginning of the present year and they were criticised for not making the sum larger, because the percentage was so small when calculated upon the total net charge against stocks and bonds. If a like sum were set aside for 1904, however, the total fixed charge and depreciation to be deducted from net earnings before considering dividends would be a little in excess of $33,000,000, say $4,500,000 a month. Seven per cent on the preferred stock would require $26,200,000, or a total of fixed charge, depreciation and preferred dividend of $59,300,000. The foregoing calculation is based upon the annual report submitted for last year, allowance being made, as stated, for the change in the character of the capitalization which followed the bond conversion. It does not take into account, however, the interest and sinking fund of the bonds issued in connection with the Union-Sharon properties, which would probably round out $50,000,000 as the total charge against earnings for bonds and preferred stock, but excluding any dividend on the common. This would be at the average rate of $6,000,000 a month. The lowest earnings for any one month thus far reported was $7,856,744 for April, 1901, the first month of the unfavorable influences which conditions predictions that the monthly earnings for the present quarter will average considerably below those for April, 1901. The corporation, however, also established the organization accumulated a considerable surplus, which might be drawn upon to maintain preferred dividends if in the judgment of the directors the outlook justified expectations of improvement in the trade.

The members of the Pittsburgh stock exchange have voted to close the exchange on December 26 as well as on Christmas day, following similar action by exchanges in the east.

A hand-book of local securities has been issued by James Carothers & Co. which is very complete in data relating to municipal and other bonds and investment stocks.

The annual report of the Harbison-Walker Company shows about 4.1 per cent earned on the $18,000,000 common stock.

There were no transactions on the local board yesterday in United States Steel common and only 10 shares Crucible common changed hands. Prices were nominally unchanged. These two stocks appear to have locked in hands that are willing to await developments of the future.

Westinghouse Airbrake was bid up to 131 without bringing out any stock for sale at that price. It was offered at 132.

The highest sale price on Westinghouse Electric was 77¼, but the stock advanced to and closed at 77½ bid.

The cold weather, which is bringing the consumption of gas up to the maximum and is thus adding large earnings, is expected to have a strengthening effect upon natural gas stocks.

The first public transaction in Citizens Traction 5s for a long time took place yesterday at 112, a decline of 6 per cent from the last previous sale.

There is a speculative party in the Wall street market which avows the conviction that the recent considerable recovery in stocks has simply represented a normal reaction from the unwarranted depression, and that, with the culmination of the recovery a decline of still greater force is in prospect. The short decline of last week's reaction was in itself a vigorous fulfilling of the powers of this opinion, and they were inclined to reverse their position yesterday when prices started upward again. The more cheerful tone of the London market was also a factor and buying orders for London account gave it a substantial backing. London took a more hopeful view again of the outlook for peace in the far east, and the discount market there worked easier.

The dividend on the Standard Oil Company stock payable today will be the occasion for the disbursement of $3,000,000 or more, and a number of other dividend payments, including that of the Consolidated Gas Company, will be made at the same time. The impression was created that buying of stocks was going on to some extent in anticipation of the receipts of these funds.

A dividend of 1¼ per cent has been declared on preferred stock of the American Iron & Steel Company, payable January 1, as registered December 24.

Directors of Twin City Rapid Transit have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1¼ per cent on the preferred stock, payable January 2.

United States Steel preferred led yesterday's New York market with sales of 85,034 shares. The total sales of all stocks were 396,700 shares.

The strength of the eastern market was pretty evenly diffused, but Anaconda Copper, Union Pacific and Southern Pacific were notably strong. A strong demand for rare copper helped the Amalgamated stock.

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Bank exchanges were ($5,613,304, a decrease of $783,000.

Stock exchange sales footed up only 1,427 shares stock and $2,000 bonds.

Westinghouse Airbrake advanced to 131 bid, 132 asked.

Westinghouse Electric sold up to 77 and closed at 77½ bid.

Pittsburgh Coal common 13½ bid. The preferred closed unchanged at 89¾.

United States Steel preferred firm, but Crucible preferred declined a fraction.

IN WALL STREET.

Market showed a well-sustained strength with close at top level for day.

Stock exchange sales footed up to 396,700 shares of stock.

In Pennsylvania and United States Steel preferred there was a cessation of pressure, believed to be a herald of new clothing.

Amalgamated Copper, Union Pacific and Southern Pacific were notably strong, their gains exceeding two points.

The bond market was only fairly active, but steady; total sales (par value) being $1,980,000.

Cheerful tone of the London market was a helpful factor and buying orders from abroad gave substantial backing.

Total sales for the day, 536,700 shares of stock.

NEWS FROM THE MINES.

Now that the figures for the copper production of the lake district are available for 11 months of the calendar year, we estimate the production for the year at between 260,000,000 and 280,000,000 pounds. Production for November reached 17,015,781 pounds, the largest monthly output in the history of the lake district. The following were the output for November and for the 11 months of the calendar year in pounds of refined copper:

	November.	11 Months.
Calumet	4,000,000	44,000,000
Quincy	1,742,583	19,517,177
Osceola	1,000,000	14,251,000
Tamarack	1,200,000	13,000,000
Champion	1,150,625	11,555,625
Baltic	831,240	9,834,000
Trimountain	714,000	9,000,000
Wolverine	745,244	8,507,027
Mohawk	1,000,000	8,246,610
Atlantic	667,000	8,240,610
Franklin	457,098	4,813,193
Adventure	350,000	3,610,000
Allouez	250,000	2,500,000
Mass. Cons.	250,000	2,500,000
Winona	67,249	267,961
Phoenix	90,000	111,000
Michigan	96,200	171,200
Total	17,075,751	181,002,958

The Calumet & Arizona mine produced 1,427 tons of electric copper last month, an increase of 88 tons over the previous month's yield. The mine is now producing 70 tons of copper and 100 of ore daily, which averages 212 pounds of copper a ton.

Lake superior people confidently expect a dividend declaration on Quincy before the month is past. It is expected that the dividend will be $1, possibly $1.50, per share. The Osceola is securing excellent regular earnings, leaving quite large this year, and everything seems to favor the payment of a dividend. Production is mainly from the North and South Kearsarge branches, which are fulfilling the expectations of the management. The old Osceola mine is shipping about 900 tons of rock daily, but profits from that source are not large.

The sample of ore taken from the vein which was cut by the shaft in the Isabella Eastern ground at a depth of 40 feet was assayed last week, the result showing $67.20 in gold and 119 ounces of silver. The character of the ore leads some to anticipate that the vein will develop a deposit like the deposits in the great mines at Tonopah. The vein from which the average sample was taken is six inches wide.

The Montana Tonopah is shipping to the Salt Lake smelters ore that is bringing many thousands of dollars per carload. The whole amount of Tonopah ore shipped to date is 3,000 tons, fulfilling of the railroad, which is likely to be completed in the spring.

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The London tin market was firm and substantially higher, closing at an advance of £1 2s 6d to £124 2s 6d for spot and £120 7s 6d for futures. Locally tin was quiet but higher, spot closing at 28.25@28.50. Copper was unchanged at £56 1s 6d for spot and 5s higher at £56 10s for futures. Locally copper is firmer; lake is quoted at $12.50@12.75; electrolytic, $12.25@12.50; casting, $12.12½@12.37½. Lead advanced 2s 6d to £11 3s 9d in London and was also higher locally, with small lots quoted at $4.37½ and large lots at $4.35@4.37½. Spelter closed at £21 7s 6d in London. Locally spot was nominally unchanged at $5.30, which includes prompt delivery; extra for future delivery is offered at 5@10 points higher. Antimony, spot, is quoted at 6½@6¾ cents, and in a jobbing way at 6¾@7 cents. Iron was dull and unchanged. No. 1 foundry northern is quoted at $15 (f.o.b. Valley furnace); No. 2 foundry northern is quoted at $14.50@15; No. 1 foundry southern soft at $15 (f.o.b. Cincinnati); No. 1 foundry southern at $14.50@15; No. 2 foundry southern soft at $14 (f.o.b. Cincinnati).

PITTSBURGH INDUSTRIAL EXCHANGE.

Sales—1,000 shares United States Packing, $1 60; 75 shares Twentieth Century, $4 50.

Closing quotations:

Adams Coal Co	10	20
Black Diamond Copper Co	2.60	3.00
Dakota-Calumet G. M. Co	.30	.40
Daly	22.50	.60
Great Western (Manufacturers)	.05	.06
Hidden Fortune	.08	.08
Homestake Min. Co	60.00	65.00
Iona La Motte-Ill. & Co	1.00	5.75
Mexican Copper M. Co	1.00	1.50
Nev. Vanes & M. Co	.06	.10
Pittsburg & Montana	41.50	45.00
Searchlight M. Co		.05
Tecumseh Mining Co	6.25	7.00
Verde Grande M. Co	7.50	8.00
Dahlgren Oil Co	.03	.04
Empire State Oil & R.	.40	.45
Forest & Kinzua (Bonds)	40.00	45.00
Harding Wireless (Bonds)	40.00	45.00
U. S. Fluorine Co	.90	1.00

Boston Copper Stocks.

(Reported by J. E. Masten & Co.)

Stocks.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close Bids.
Allouez	2	2¼	2	2
Black Diamond	2	2½		2
Boston & Montana	46			45
Calumet & Hecla				
Calumet & Corbin				
Centennial	18¾	18¾	18¾	18½
Copper Range				65
Franklin				25
Isle Royale				25
Lake & Ely Dev.	90			85
Mohawk	50	50	50	50
Old Dominion	24¾	24¾	24¾	24¾
Pat. & Duluth	2	2	2	2
Range Consolidated	43½	43½	43½	43½
Utah	10	10	10	10
Victoria	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾

New York Mining Stocks.

Adams Con	.10	Little Chief	.06
Alice	.10	Ontario	6.50
Brunswick Con	.10	Ophir	2.00
Camsock Tunnel	.05	Potosi	.20
Con. Cal. & Va	1.10	Savage	.10
Horn Silver	1.75	Sierra Nevada	.15
Iron Silver	1.00	Standard	1.75
Leadville Con	.05	Standard	2.00

*Offered.

THE MONEY MARKET.

The local money market remains steady and unchanged at 6 per cent on call and time loans. Clearing house comparisons:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Yesterday	$6,516,063 80	$ 910,972 48
Last week	5,410,500 02	762,150 15
Last year	6,271,765 05	1,341,005 45

Foreign Money Market.

LONDON, Dec. 14—Money, 3@3½ per cent. The rate of discount for short bills is 2¾@2 15-16 per cent. The rate of discount for three months' bills is 3 1-8@3⅛ per cent. Consols for money, 88 15-16. Consols for account, 89⅛. Money was in fair demand in the market today but the supply was not plentiful. Discounts were steady. Reports and rumors that an additional $2,500,000 in gold was coming from India, Business on the stock exchange was quiet but the tone was tolerably cheerful in spite of new being taken of the reports of the eastern war cloud.

PARIS, Dec. 14—Trading on the bourse today was dull and featureless and closed calm. The private rate of discount was 2½ per cent. Three per cent rentes, 95 francs, 40½ centimes for the account. Exchange on London, 25 francs, 15 centimes for check.

BERLIN, Dec. 14—Exchange on London, 20 marks, 48 pfennigs for checks. Discount rates, short bills, 4 per cent; three months' bills 3 5-8@3¾ per cent.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14—Close: money on call steady 5 and 6 per cent, closing bid and offered at 5. Time loans easy 60 days 6 per cent; 90 days 5½@6 per cent; six months 5¼@5½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent. Sterling exchange firm with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86@$4.86.20 for demand and at $4.82.70@$4.83 for 60-day bills. Posted rates, $4.86½@4.87 and $4.84@4.84½. Commercial bills, $4.79¾. Silver certificates, 59½@60. Mexican dollars, 46½. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds steady.

Banks and Treasury.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Total payment by government to New York banks for the day, $2,176,000. Payment by banks to government, $3,453,000. Balance on the day's transactions $727,000 paid by banks to government.

COMPLETE RECORD NEW YORK STOCKS

Daily range of prices reported by Ulrich, Henry Kipp & Co., Pittsburgh Bank building, members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade.

ACTIVE LIST.

STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Sales.				
1000	A. T. & S. F.	87½	87½	87½
500	Do preferred	97½	97½	97½
15200	Amer. Sugar Ref	122½	124¼	122½
800	Do preferred	116	116	116
600	Amer. Car Foundry	34¼	34¾	34¼
	American Cot.	45	45	45
	Do preferred	97	97	97
26100	Amal. Copper	45½	47⅛	45½
100	Am. Locomotive	37	37	37
2900	Am. Smelt. & Ref.	90½	92	90½
250	Do preferred	97	97	97
	Am. Steel Foundries	23½	23½	23½
	Do preferred	91	91	91
2001	Balto. & Ohio	107	107½	107
1200	Canadian Pacific	172	173	172
1000	Colorado Fuel & I.	37	37½	37
29100	Brook. Rap. Tran.	63½	65¼	63½
1000	Chesapeake & Ohio	45	45	45
700	Chicago & Alton	35	35	35
1000	Chicago Gt. West.	20	20	20
900	Chicago, R. I. & P.	153½	154	153½
400	Chicago & N. W.	196	196	196
400	Col. Fuel & Iron	34	34	34
	Corn Products	14¾	14¾	14¾
	Do preferred	85	85	85
350	Consolidated Gas	197	197	197
	Consolidation Coal			45
200	Del. & Hudson	183	183	183
100	Del., Lack. & W.	265	265	265
2162	Den. & Rio Grande	39	39½	39
2700	Do preferred	87½	88	87½
5400	Louis. & Nash.	141	141¾	141
1000	Manhattan Elev.	151	151½	151
5000	Missouri Pacific	98½	100	98½
400	Nat. Biscuit	45	45	45
2900	Metropolitan	121½	122	121½
	Mexican Central	17½	17¾	17½
	National Lead			45
	Do preferred			110
	National Biscuit			45
	Do preferred			120
	National Pump			20
	Pittsburgh Coal	13½	13½	13½
	Pressed Steel Car	39	39	39
	Do preferred	90	90	90
1300	N. Y. Central	134½	134¾	134½
1700	N. Y., O. & W.	37½	37¾	37½
1400	Norfolk & West.	69	69½	69
	Peoples Gas	98	98	98
200	Pressed Steel Car	39	39	39
	Do preferred	90	90	90
85137	Penna. R. R.	117¾	117¾	117¾
	Pittsburg Springs	75	75	75
	Do preferred			115
97400	Pullman Palace	247	247	247
147	Do 10 pfd.	100	100	100
100	Do 50 pfd.	60½	60½	60½
11825	Rock Island	29¾	30¼	29¾
100	Do preferred	65	65	65
1450	Repub. Iron & Stl.	43½	44	43½
50	R. L. & S. F. 2d pf.	45	45	45
61265	Southern Pacific	47	48¼	47
4200	Southern Railway	24¾	25	24¾
	Do preferred	87	87	87
18500	St. L. & San Fran.	24¾	24¾	24¾
200	St. L. & S. F. 1st pf.	74	74	74
1120	Tenn. C. & I.	72	72	72
1100	Texas & Pac.	31	31	31
100	T., St. L. & W.	19	19	19
4240	U. S. Steel	39½	40	39½
85084	Do preferred	83¾	84	83¾
51100	Union Pacific	114¾	115¾	114¾
2100	U. S. Rubber	17	17	17
	Do preferred	58	58	58
	U. S. C. I. P.	5	5	5
	Do preferred	34	34	34
	U. S. Ex. & Tr.	90	90	90
200	Wabash	19½	19½	19½
	Do preferred	35¾	35¾	35¾
	W. & L. E. 1st pf.	97	97	97
412	Wheeling Coal	97½	97½	97½

INACTIVE LIST.

200	A. G. & W. Trans.	6	6	6
200	Chicago Un. Tr.	6	6	6
200	Chic. Tr. pf.	20	20	20
300	Cin. Tobacco pfd	114½	114½	114½
100	D. & R. G.	77	77	77
	Do preferred	91	91	91
2200	Hocking Valley	69½	70	69½
100	Minn. & St. L.	99	99	99
100	M., St. P. & S. M.	177½	177½	177½
150	N. Y. Airbrake	129	129	129
	Do preferred	129	129	129
200	Rubber Goods	18	18	18
200	Sloss	39	39	39
500	Twin City	104½	104½	104½
1000	Va. Iron, Coal & Coke	70	70	70
400	Do preferred	95	95	95
2100	W. Elec. 2d pfd	104½	105	104½
50000	Total sales.			

CLOSING PRICE NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. reg. 2s, reg.	105½	L. S. & M. con. 4s	109½
Do coupon	106	Mex. Cent. 4s	80
U. S. 3s, reg.	107½	Mex. Central 4s	81½
Do coupon	107½	Mex. Nat. 4s	81½
U. S. new 4s, reg.	137½	M. K. & T. 4s	94½
Do coupon	137½	M. K. & T. 4s	94½
U. S. old 4s, reg.	110	N. Y. C. gen. 3½	100
Do coupon	110	N. Y. C. gen. 3½	100
Do 2s, reg.	97½	N. Y. C. gen. 3½	100
Do coupon	97½	N. Y. C. gen. 3½	100

New York Curb Stocks.

(Reported by Henry Kuhnel & Co.)

Amer. Cigar pf.	93	Mackay Trust	77
Amer. Deliverance	15	Mackay Trust pf.	77
Do preferred	75	New Ate. Gas	105
Am. Tin Can	8	New Orleans Pr.	8
Do preferred	25	Do preferred	75
Bay State Gas	4	Do Scrip	3
Borden Condensed	15	Rambler	3
Brooklyn Ferry	4	Otis Elevator	34
Cent. Foundry	4	Do preferred	90
Do preferred	15	Standard Oil	675
Electric Vehicle	7	Realized Ad. Inv.	747
Do preferred	30	Do preferred	23
Green Con. Cop.	11	Standard Oil	685
Do preferred	50	Trust of Amer.	10
Hoe & Co.	15	Trust of Amer. pf.	75
Int. Nav.	5	Union Copper	5
Int. Salt	30	Do pf.	30
Do	90	United Nick.	30

Philadelphia Closing Bids.

Amer. General	6¾	Penn. Steel pfd	40
Amer. Railways	22½	Phila. Co.	47½
Cambria Steel	47½	Do preferred	47½
Elec. Co. of Am.	7½	Phila. Electric	20
Elec. Co. of Am. pf.	25	Phila. Traction	97½
Con. Trac. N. J.	66	Phila. Gas	66
Con. Trac. N. J. pf.	95	Phila. Gas pf.	95
Diamond Steel	5	Phila. Rapid	37½
Diamond Steel pf.	25	Phila. Rapid pf.	90
Electric Co.	5	Tidewater Steel	3
Elec. Co. of Am.	7½	Do preferred	25
Lehigh Nav.	75	Union Traction	47½
Lehigh Valley	58	United Gas Imp.	87
Leh. Val. R. & L.	5	United Gas Imp. pf.	93
New Har. L. & S.	5	Warwick Iron	10
Penna. R. R.	116½	Welsbach Co.	12

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

Allouez	2	Mexican Central	17½
Do preferred	5	Mont. Power	77½
Amer. Sugar Ref.	124¼	Old Dominion	24¾
Amer. Sugar Ref. pf.	116	Old Colony	205
Boston & Maine	201	Pullman Palace	247
Boston & Albany	260	Rubber Goods	18
Boston Elevated	149	Tenn. Coal & Iron	72
Boston & Lowell	260	United Fruit	102½
Boston & Maine	196	United Shoe	46¾
Fitchburg pf.	130	Union Pacific	115
Mass. Electric	34	Do preferred	93½

Electric Stocks at Boston.

Westinghouse	76	Mass. Electric	39
General Electric	160	Do preferred	76

*Asked.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption shows: Available cash balance, $127,736,000; gold coin and bullion, $77,893,776; United States notes, $9,030,000; treasury notes of 1890, $50,822; unavailable funds, $10,368,697; total receipts this day, $1,450,609; total receipts this month, $20,820,696; total receipts this year, $254,720,000; total expenditures this day, $925,000; total expenditures this month, $21,222,000; total expenditures this year, $243,827,000; deposits in national banks, $132,683,809.

To Underwrite Mining Stock.

Kountze, Lindsay & Co. have closed a contract for underwriting $500,000 of the stock of the Tyro Blended Mining Company of Rossland, B. C. Nearly 40 Pittsburghers are interested in the company, among them being Fred Krick, treasurer of the Trade Dollar Consolidated Mining Company, in which Pittsburgh people have a large interest. The Tyro Blended mine is located in Centre County, Ida., and has produced over $50,000,000 worth of silver since it was opened in 1885.

Foreign Exchange.

The Iron City Trust Company quotes checks as follows: Sterling, 60 days, 4.86 @4.86½; sterling, demand, 4.87@4.87½; francs, 60 days, 5.18¾@5.17½; francs, demand, 5.16¼@5.15¼; guilders, 60 days, 39¾@39 15-16; guilders, demand, 40@40 1-16; Italy, 60 days, 5.20@5.19; Italy, demand, 5.18@5.17; rubles, 60 days, 51.50; rubles, demand, 51.75; Austrian (Kronen), 60 days, 20.65@20.70; Austrian (Kronen), demand, 20.80@20.85; Reichsmarks, 60 days, 23.80@23.85; Reichsmarks, demand, 23.95@24.00; Swiss, 60 days, 5.18¾@5.17½; Swiss, demand, 5.16¼@5.15¼; Mexican dollars (dollars local currency), 46@46½.

Standard Investment Bonds.

The Colonial Trust Company, 317 Fourth avenue, Pittsburg, offers for sale a variety of bonds, yielding the purchaser from 4½ to 6% per cent, which it recommends as desirable investments.

Correspondence of Alexander C. Thompson, manager bond department.

PRICES RECOVERED UNDER MANIPULATION

Stocks Closed Strong and in Some Instances at Notable Advances.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Herald this (Tuesday) morning says: Under a revival of activity of the trading element and the manipulative clique the short interest engaged in some covering operations yesterday and prices recovered, closing strong and in some instances at notable advances. But the market was very narrow, with about n